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# NURSING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NATIONAL

THE AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION, the National League of Nursing Education and the National Organization for Public Health Nursing will hold their annual conventions in San Francisco, June 20-26, 1915. These meetings, except the business sessions, are open to all nurses, whether members of the associations or not.

*Place of Meeting.* The First Congregational Church, Post and Mason Streets, except for the Tuesday evening meeting, which will be held at Festival Hall, Exposition grounds, and for the Wednesday afternoon session which, with the American Hospital Association as guests, will be held in the Greek Theatre, Berkeley.

*Headquarters.* Hotel Clift, Geary and Taylor Streets.

(See the May JOURNAL for hotel rates and for names of other hotels.)

*Itineraries.* (See March JOURNAL).

*Programmes.* (See May JOURNAL for detailed programmes of the three organizations.) The American Nurses' Association programme has undergone some changes since its last publication, as follows: The session on Private Duty Nursing, scheduled for Tuesday morning, is to have the following papers: The Private Duty Nurse in Modern Times, Dr. William Palmer Lucas, San Francisco; Private Duty Nurse and Her Relation to the Registry, Sophia L. Rutley; Business Woman as Registrar, Katherine Hyde; discussion, Minnie H. Ahrens; Loyalty and What We Owe Our Schools, Bessie Graham; Contagious Nursing in the Home, Nettie Woods Guthrie; Characteristics Requisite for a Private Duty Nurse, Alice Dalbey.

The Red Cross session, scheduled for Wednesday morning, has the following papers: Town and Country Nursing Service, Fannie F. Clement; A Red Cross Visiting Nurse in Arizona, Katherine Kraft; The Effect of American Red Cross Standards on Training Schools, Nursing Organizations, and the Nursing Profession, Sara E. Parsons; Has Red Cross Relief Work in Europe Been Worth While? Dorothea Mann; Personal Experience in Serbia, Mathild Krueger.

The Thursday morning session will have papers on: Indian Nurses and Nursing Indians, Estaiene M. DePeltquestangne; Some Points in Organization Work, Annette Alison; The Future of the Central Registry, Elizabeth C. Burgess; Directory Rules and Government, Agnes G. Deans; Competition of Non-professional Registries with Central Directories, Lydia A. Giberson; Work of Nurses in the Canal Zone.

NOTE. State presidents attending the convention are asked to keep in mind the meeting of the Advisory Council, which will be announced on the bulletin board, and to have clearly in mind the problems they wish to hear discussed. The president asks that members will not wear hats during convention sessions.

## REPORT OF THE NURSES' RELIEF FUND, APRIL, 1915

*Receipts*

Previously acknowledged.....	\$3,390.15
Interest on bond.....	20.00
Johns Hopkins Hospital Alumnae Association, Baltimore, Md., individual members.....	8.00
Bellevue Hospital Alumnae Association.....	25.00
Alumnae Association of John N. Norton Infirmary.....	5.00
Louise Pohlss, Brooklyn Homeopathic Hospital Alumnae Association....	3.00
Helen Scott Hay.....	25.00
Emma Duensing, German Hospital Alumnae Association, N. Y. City....	1.00
Wesley Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association, Chicago, Ill.....	25.00
Passavant Hospital Alumnae Association, Chicago, Ill.....	5.00
Amy F. Patmore, New York Post Graduate Hospital Alumnae Asso- ciation.....	3.00
Margaret Jones.....	1.00
Connecticut Training School for Nurses, Alumnae Association.....	10.00
St. Luke's Hospital Alumnae Association, Chicago, Ill.....	25.00
Calendar Fund, L. A. Giberson, Chairman.....	326.79
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	\$3,872.94

*Disbursements*

Benefit No. 1, North Carolina State Nurses' Association Sixth Payment.....	\$10.00	
M. Louise Twiss, Treasurer, Postage, books for accounts.....	10.00	20.00
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Balance May 1, 1915.....		\$3,852.94
8 Bonds, par value.....		8,000.00
2 Certificates of stock.....		2,000.00
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		\$13,852.94

Contributions for the Relief Fund should be sent to Mrs. C. V. Twiss, Treasurer, 419 West 144th Street, New York City, and cheques made payable to the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, New York City. For information, address L. A. Giberson, Chairman, Nurses' Club, 1520 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

## ARMY NURSE CORPS

APPOINTMENTS.—Lena B. Mead, graduate Homeopathic Hospital, Middletown, New York, post graduate of Bellevue Hospital, New York, New York; Mary W. Norton, Boston City Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts; Carrie M. Lanaway, City and General Hospital, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, assigned to duty at the Walter Reed General Hospital, Takoma Park, D. C.; Lulu M. Gerding, Good Samaritan Hospital, Portland, Oregon, assigned to duty at the Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California.

RE-APPOINTMENT.—Rosanna M. King, graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital, Chicago, Illinois, assigned to duty at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California.

TRANSFERS.—To the Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California: Florence M. Bailly, Margaret J. Stevenson, Ida E. German and Helen Nevin.

To Army General Hospital, Fort Bayard, New Mexico: Marie Speckert. To Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, Arkansas: Gertrude H. Lustig. To Post Hospital, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas: Lyda Rodgers. To Department Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaiian Territory: Elizabeth M. Bannan and Charlotte G. Wills. To Department Hospital, Manila, Philippine Islands: Alice A. Rowe, Eleanor Wilson, Margaret J. Stevenson and Rosanna M. King.

DISCHARGES.—Anna B. Cawley from Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California. Mrs. Elizabeth E. Spencer and Pearl Murphy from the Walter Reed General Hospital, Takoma Park, D. C. Rose A. Young from Department Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaiian Territory. Inez H. Mileham, from Department Hospital, Manila, Philippine Islands.

DORA E. THOMPSON,  
*Superintendent, Army Nurse Corps.*

### CALIFORNIA

THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH held its regular monthly meeting in Los Angeles on May 1 for the purpose of holding the second examination of nurses for certificate as "Registered Nurse." Eighty-four nurses, graduates of schools from different parts of the state, presented themselves for examination.

Pasadena.—THE GRADUATE NURSES' CLUB held its annual meeting at the Club House April 13, the president, Helen S. Wood, in the chair. Most satisfactory committee reports were presented, the treasurer's showing that the club was in a good financial condition, and hopes are entertained of soon being able to buy a Club House. A successful bazaar was held in the autumn, and the members showed great interest, making many saleable articles, the cooked foods and candy being most appreciated by the public. Some of the proceeds went to La Vina Consumptive Hospital, Pasadena, and also to Pasadena Branch of the Red Cross Relief Fund. The following officers were elected: president, Lena Hilliker; vice-president, Peninah Jones; secretary, Frances Scott; assistant secretary, Mrs. Jeanette Peterson; treasurer, Winnifred Merrihew.

Santa Barbara.—THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE SANTA BARBARA COTTAGE HOSPITAL were held April 20 on the porch and lawn of the nurses' home, the class consisting of five members. Each carried flowers, the gift of the Board of Directors. After the exercises, refreshments were served in the parlors, and visitors were shown the Home and the new Contagion Cottage, which, being complete and convenient in its equipment, received much favorable comment. A display arranged by the nurses in their demonstration room, from each hospital department, was of great interest to the visitors, who expressed themselves as having spent an instructive as well as entertaining afternoon.

### COLORADO

THE NEW BILL FOR THE REGISTRATION OF NURSES OF COLORADO which was signed by the governor April 10, reads as follows:

AN ACT RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL NURSING AND TO REPEAL ALL ACTS IN CONFLICT  
HEREWITH

*Be it Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado.*

Section 1. The Governor shall appoint a State Board of Nurse Examiners, to be composed of five members. Each of the members of said Board shall be

a trained nurse of at least twenty-three (23) years of age, of good moral character, and a graduate from a training school, connected with a general hospital or sanitarium of good standing, where a three years' training with a systematic course of instruction is given in the wards; one of the members of said Board shall be designated to hold office for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years, and thereafter upon the expiration of the term of office of the person so appointed, the Governor shall appoint a successor to each person to hold office for five years, each of whom shall be a licensed nurse under the provisions of this act.

Section 2. That the members of said Board shall, annually in the month of December, elect from their members a president, and also a secretary, who shall also be the treasurer. Three members of this Board shall constitute a quorum, and special meetings of said Board shall be called by the secretary upon the written request of any two members. The Board is authorized to make such by-laws and rules as shall be necessary to govern its proceedings and to carry into effect the purposes of this act. The secretary shall be required to keep a record of all the meetings of said Board, including a register of the names of all nurses duly licensed under this act, which shall be open to public inspection. That the president and secretary shall make a biennial report to the Governor on the second Monday of December, immediately preceding the convening of the Legislature, together with a statement of the receipts and disbursements of said Board. It shall be the duty of the Board to meet at least once in every six (6) months, notice of which shall be given in not less than six newspapers of the State and in at least one nursing journal thirty days previous to the time of meeting. At every meeting it shall be the duty of the Board to examine all applicants seeking a license under the provisions of this act.

Section 3. Every person applying for a license as a trained, graduate nurse shall make application upon blank forms furnished by the Board and shall give such reasonable information as the Board may require and in addition thereto it must be shown by the application that the applicant is twenty-one (21) years of age and possesses a diploma of graduation from a training school for nurses connected with a general hospital or sanitarium of good standing where a three years' training with a systematic course of instruction is given in the wards. The application shall be accompanied by an examination and license fee of ten (\$10) dollars which shall in no case be returned to the applicant. The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant before some officer authorized to administer oaths. The applicant shall have two trained, graduate nurses, who are personally acquainted with the applicant, certify that such applicant is honest, trustworthy and of good moral character and not addicted to the use of intoxicants or narcotics, together with such other reasonable information as the Board may require from such vouchers, which certificate shall be indorsed upon the application.

Section 4. No person shall receive a license under the provisions of this act without first having been examined as to his or her training and fitness to care for the sick by the State Board of Examiners. The applicant must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, of good moral character, trustworthy, honest and not addicted to the use of intoxicants or narcotics and possess a diploma of graduation from a training school for nurses connected with a general hospital or sanitarium of good standing where a three (3) years' training with a systematic course of instruction is given in the wards. The examination to be given such

applicant by the Board shall be of such character as to determine the qualifications and fitness of applicants to practice professional nursing as contemplated by this act, and shall be upon the following subjects, to-wit: General education, theory and practice of nursing, anatomy and physiology, materia medica, bacteriology and contagion, gynecology, obstetrics, genito-urinary being also given to male nurses, medical and surgical nursing, hygiene and sanitation, dietetics and such other subjects pertaining to nursing as may be determined from time to time by the Board; Provided, That nurses who shall show to the satisfaction of the Board that they maintain proper professional standards and meet all reasonable requirements of the Board and who were graduated prior to April 1906, from a training school connected with a hospital or sanitarium, giving two years' general training in the wards, or who were graduated prior to the year 1891 from a training school of this state connected with a hospital or sanitarium giving eighteen months' general training in the wards, shall not be required to pass an examination upon the following subjects, to wit: Anatomy and physiology, materia medica, bacteriology and contagion, gynecology, obstetrics, genito-urinary, medical and surgical nursing, hygiene and sanitation, dietetics; Provided, also, That persons who were in training before April, 1907, in the wards of a general hospital or sanitarium in this state where a two (2) years' training with a systematic course of instruction was given at the time of the passage of the act relating to professional nursing, approved April 8, 1907, and who shall graduate hereafter, and possess the above qualifications, shall not be required to pass an examination upon the following subjects, to wit: Anatomy and physiology, materia medica, bacteriology and contagion, gynecology, obstetrics, genito-urinary, medical and surgical nursing, hygiene and sanitation, dietetics; provided, that in the exception last aforesaid that the application shall have been made to the Board prior to April, 1909; Provided, further, That all graduate nurses who have served in the army or navy of the United States, and have been honorably discharged, shall not be required to pass an examination upon the following subjects, to-wit: Anatomy and physiology, materia medica, bacteriology and contagion, gynecology, obstetrics, genito-urinary, medical and surgical nursing, hygiene and sanitation, dietetics; Provided further, That nurses from other states where the laws with reference to professional nursing equal the standards of the laws of the state of Colorado and who shall show to the satisfaction of the Board that he or she is a trained, graduate nurse of a hospital or sanitarium, the standard of instruction and training of which shall meet the requirements of the laws of this state, and who shall be otherwise properly qualified, may receive a license as a nurse of this state without being examined on the following subjects, to wit: Anatomy and physiology, materia medica, bacteriology and contagion, gynecology, obstetrics, genito-urinary, medical and surgical nursing, hygiene and sanitation, dietetics; Provided, further, That persons actually in training at the time of going into effect of this act under two-years' contract in schools connected with a general hospital or sanitarium of this state, of good standing and giving a two years' systematic course of instruction in the wards, and who shall thereafter graduate, may, until December 31, 1916, receive a license upon such diploma of graduation by passing the regular examination prescribed by the Board.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful hereafter for any person to practice the profession of nursing as a trained, graduate nurse, or to act in a professional capacity by virtue of claiming to be a trained, graduate nurse, without a license from the State Board of Nurse Examiners. A person who has received his or

her license according to the provisions of this act, shall be styled and known as either a "trained," "graduate," "registered," or "licensed" nurse. No other person shall assume such title, nor use the abbreviation "R.N.," or any other letters to indicate that he or she is a "trained," "graduate," "registered," or "licensed" nurse, or represent himself or herself as such, and said Board shall cause the names of all persons violating any of the provisions of this act to be presented to the District Attorney for prosecution and the Board may incur necessary expenses on that behalf.

Section 6. The Board shall withhold a license by a three-fifths' vote, or may revoke any license issued in pursuance of this act by unanimous vote of said Board for gross incompetency, dishonesty, intemperance, immorality, unprofessional conduct, or any habit rendering a nurse unfit or unsafe to care for the sick, after a full and fair investigation of the charges; but before any license shall be revoked the holder thereof shall be entitled to at least thirty days' notice in writing of the charge against him or her, and of the time and place of the hearing of such charge, at which time and place he or she shall be entitled to be heard. Upon the revocation of any license, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the Board to strike the name of the holder thereof from the roll of registered nurses, and the license shall be returned to the secretary of said Board by the licensee named therein, and the licensee shall not thereafter be authorized to practice as a licensed nurse under the provisions of this act.

Section 7. All fees received by the State Board of Nurse Examiners, and all fines collected under this act, shall be paid to the treasurer of said Board, who shall, at the end of each and every month, deposit the same with the State Treasurer, and the said State Treasurer shall place said money so received in a special fund, to be known as the fund of the State Board of Nurse Examiners, and shall pay the same out on vouchers issued and signed by the president and secretary of said Board, upon warrants drawn by the auditor of the state therefor. All moneys so received and placed in said fund may be used by the State Board of Nurse Examiners in defraying its expense in carrying out the provisions of this act.

Section 8. This act shall not be construed to affect or apply to the gratuitous nursing of the sick by friends or members of the family, or to any person taking care of the sick for hire who does not represent himself or herself or in any way assume the practice or hold himself or herself out to the public as a trained, graduate, registered, or licensed nurse.

Section 9. That any person violating any of the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred (\$300) dollars.

Section 10. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; provided, however, that the repeal of said acts and parts of acts shall not be construed to affect the terms of office of the present members of said State Board of Nurse Examiners, but the said members shall be entitled to serve the full term for which they were appointed under an act entitled "An Act Relating to Professional Nursing," approved April 11, 1905; and said Board is authorized to continue to act as such in any and all proceedings of every nature and kind whatsoever heretofore had or which are now being had or carried forward under the acts or parts of acts hereby repealed, and may be carried forward, completed or consummated under the provisions of this act.

Section 11. In the opinion of the General Assembly an emergency exists and therefore this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

## CONNECTICUT

THE GRADUATE NURSES ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT held its twelfth annual meeting May 5, at the First Congregational Church, Waterbury. Seventy members were present. Business meetings of the executive board of the State League of Nursing Education, and of the Red Cross were held in the morning. The annual luncheon was served in the church parlors. The regular meeting was called to order at 3.40 p.m., the president Mrs. Winifred Hart in the chair. After routine business, the legislative committee gave a full account of its work with the legislature, and reported that the Governor signed the amended bill, March 19. The election of officers resulted as follows: president, Mary Grace Hills of New Haven; vice-presidents, Mrs. Winifred A. Hart, Stratford, Anna E. Barron, New Haven; secretary, Harriet E. Gregory, Waterbury; treasurer, Elizabeth Somers, Waterbury. The association appreciates Mrs. Hart's consent to serve as vice-president, as for business reasons she was obliged to decline the office of president, which she has filled so ably and faithfully for two terms. The next meeting will be held at the Middlesex Hospital, in Middletown.

**New Haven.**—THE CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its regular monthly meeting at the usual place May 4, with a moderate attendance. In the absence of the president, the vice-president, Miss Bigelow, was in the chair. Routine business was transacted, new members admitted, and the state meeting held the preceding day in Waterbury, discussed. A committee was appointed to arrange for the annual meeting to be held in June. After adjournment, M. Grace Hills gave an interesting talk on the work of the visiting nurses, of whom she is in charge, and refreshments were served.

**Hartford.**—THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL held its semi-annual meeting in the lecture hall of the hospital on May 1. The president, secretary and treasurer were absent on account of illness. Miss E. Toomey presided, assisted by Miss M. Ahern. Fifty-two members were present and eighteen new ones were received. The report of the annual whist party showed that the receipts were \$939.80. One thousand dollars was voted to be given the free bed fund, thus completing the amount of \$5000. A social hour followed the business meeting.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**Washington.**—TAMSON A. GRAY, R.N., graduate of the Maine General Hospital, Portland, Maine, has been confined in bed for the last fifteen months, with tuberculosis, in the Washington institution, for that disease. Miss Gray was a member of the official family of the hospital for the first three years of its existence. She is taking pneumothorax treatment, and is well on the road to recovery.

## FLORIDA

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORIDA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSES, will be held June 2, at the Seminole Hotel, Jacksonville. All applications must be filed with the Secretary before May 15.

IRENE R. FOOTE, *Secretary-Treasurer*,  
35 East Bay Street,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

**St. Augustine.**—THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE has progressed beyond all expectations, through the efforts of Sarah H. Cabaniss, and under



her direction a Neighborhood House has been established. All the work is supported by the King's Daughters, through general contributions, and the society is to be congratulated in having Miss Cabaniss in charge of the Public Welfare work.

#### GEORGIA

**Augusta.**—THE THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GRADUATE NURSES ASSOCIATION of Augusta, was held March 26, at the City Hospital. Eleven nurses were present. After the roll call and reading of the minutes, the treasurer's report was read and accepted. Miss Moran appointed Emma Dozier, Margaret Dorn, Louise Tommims and Mary L. Connelly to act on her committee to devise ways and means of getting contributions towards the Nurses' Relief Fund. The president gave a short talk on the possibilities of a relief fund for the Graduate Nurses' Association, and it was decided that, as the association was unable to maintain a room for sick nurses at the new University Hospital, this fund be established. The association contributed \$25 to this fund and contributions of \$55 from individual members were reported by Miss Dozier, who was appointed chairman of the committee to solicit subscriptions and to consider upon what occasion, sick nurses would be eligible to receive benefits. The president was instructed to extend an invitation to the State Association to hold the next annual convention in Augusta. The following officers were elected: president, Mary Moran; vice-president, Emma Dozier; secretary-treasurer, K. M. Gallagher; councillors, Ethel Boone, Carrie Ransom, Margaret Dorn, Elizabeth White and Angila Sullivan. Miss Moran was reelected registrar of the nurses' directory.

#### ILLINOIS

THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS will meet in Springfield, July 14 and 15, 1915, for the purpose of conducting an examination for the registration of nurses. Applications must be filed not later than July 1, 1915. Blanks and information may be procured by addressing the Secretary.

ANNA L. TITTMAN, R.N.,  
Capitol Building,  
Springfield, Ill.

**Chicago.**—THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE FIRST DISTRICT OF THE ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE NURSES was held May 11, in the Auditorium of the Young Men's Christian Association Building. Invitations were sent to eight hundred senior nurses, it being "Senior night." About four hundred senior nurses from the various training schools were present and one hundred and fifty members of the association. Brief talks were given on the State Association, Miss Thomson; Central Directory and Club House, Miss Ahrens; the Red Cross, Mrs. Tice. The principal speakers of the evening were Agnes G. Deans, of Detroit, on the American Nurses' Association; and Sophia F. Palmer of Rochester, N. Y., on THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING. Miss Palmer has been staying at the Nurses' Club House for a week and has had many pleasant conferences with groups of nurses, beside being a guest at St. Luke's Hospital and the Illinois Training School.

CORA JOHNSON, for several years assistant superintendent of nurses at the Presbyterian Hospital, left for Russia with the Red Cross, March 1. A cablegram has been received, telling of her safe arrival. Julia Chubbuck, class of 1908, former directress of nurses at the Rockford Hospital, has gone to California,

to stay for an indefinite time. Alice Morse, class of 1910, has accepted the position of superintendent of nurses in the hospital at Monmouth, Illinois. Esther Fairchild has accepted the position of supervisor of floors B and C. The Alumnae Association held its annual meeting April 6, the following officers were elected: president, Miss D. Twitchel; secretary, Miss Holverson; treasurer, M. Dunlap; Journal reporter, Mrs. Edith C. Koch. The graduating exercises of the training school, were held May 25.

THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE ILLINOIS TRAINING SCHOOL held its annual meeting May 4, and elected the following officers: president, Charlotte Johnson; second vice-president, Jessie Christie; recording secretary, Mary Watson; director, Helen Kelly. The senior class of the training school gave a demonstration in the amphitheatre of the Cook County Hospital on May 14, including some unusual numbers, such as Making a Bed for a Tubercular Patient; Improvising an Operating Room Gown; Carrying Patient by Means of a Sheet Chair; Bed for Patient Requiring Open-air Treatment; A Blanket-made Kimono; Fire Drill and The Story of a Sheet.

THE NURSES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ST. MARY OF NAZARETH HOSPITAL held its third annual meeting in the nurses' assembly hall, May 3. The following officers were elected: president, Sister Mary Dolores; vice-president Helen Walderbach; secretaries, Kathryn A. Conway, Susan B. Hawkins; treasurer, Emma Mack; directors, Ethel C. Rinker, Mae Gleeson; program committee, Helen Repa, Agatha Oberst. One new member was admitted. The alumnae has recently furnished a room in the hospital for the use of sick nurses. A new nurses' home which will accommodate eighty nurses has been added to the hospital, also a wing which will accommodate fifty patients and thirty Sisters. Kathryn Jones has accepted the position of superintendent of nurses at the Mercy Hospital, Gary, Indiana.

#### INDIANA

THE INDIANA STATE NURSES ASSOCIATION held its twelfth semi-annual convention at Terre Haute, April 29 and 30. Papers were read by Dr. Retger, professor of physiology at The Indiana State Normal School, Dr. M. R. Combs on European Hospitals and Dr. A. H. McCaffe on Eclampsia. A talk was given by Dora Burr, Public Health Nurse in Terre Haute. Ethel Chisholm, superintendent of the Union Hospital Training School, gave a dinner at the training school April 28 for the visiting nurses. The local associations entertained the nurses at a banquet at the Hotel Deming on the evening of April 29. Reports from different committees showed a large amount of work done in the past year, especially public health work. Fourteen new members were admitted. Several of the members will attend the meetings in San Francisco, Frances M. Ott, being the delegate from the society.

#### IOWA

THE IOWA LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION met in Iowa City, April 27, in the reception room of the University Hospital with about fifty nurses in attendance. The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Bristol, who gave a short address. Ellen Stirling and Anna Goodale were appointed secretary and treasurer pro-tem, the regular officers having left the state during the year. Martha Oakes, Davenport, discussed the forty-eight hour law for pupil nurses as it affects hospital administration and the nurse. Regarding supply and

demand of pupils, Miss Goodale, Iowa City, read a letter from a worker in Vocational Guidance requesting the League to take up the work of giving talks to girls on the subject of Nursing as a Vocation. The state will be divided into districts and nurses appointed to do this as well as to distribute the pamphlet, *Opportunities for Nurses*. Clara Swank, Cedar Rapids, read a paper on *Is Three Years Too Long for a Nurse's Training?* Discussion followed. Legislative work was uppermost in the minds of the members as an attempt was made at the last session to change the law, to make the length of training eighteen months instead of three years, reducing the examinations to comply with the time reduction. The amendment was introduced by Mr. Miller an editor from Waverly who is one of the leaders in the "Society for Medical Freedom." The nurses acted promptly and brought all influence to bear to kill the measure and no change was made. Mr. Miller's reason for introducing the measure was, as stated to the legislative committee, that three years' training is making a shortage of nurses and keeping up the price for their services. During the coming year the executive committee of the League will confer with that of the State Association to prepare for subsequent attacks on the bill. A paper on State Board Examinations was read by Josephine Creelman, after which followed a discussion by the members. A resolution was adopted which is to be sent to the State Board of Health requesting them to appoint nurses on the Board of Examiners who will represent the hospital woman, the private duty and public health nurses respectively. This was also adopted by the State Association on the following day and goes to the State Board of Health as a joint resolution. Eleven new members were received. The application of the Iowa League for affiliation with the National League will be acted upon at the California meeting. Officers elected for the following year are: president, Luella Bristol, Fairfield; vice-president, Caroline Butterfield, Dubuque; secretary, Bernadine Wirtz, Fairfield; treasurer, Adah Hershey, Des Moines; Auditor, Sister Mary Ursula, Dubuque. Emma Wilson, chairman of committee on resolutions gave her report. One member had passed away during the year, Elizabeth Trotter of Ottumwa. Resolutions were spread upon the minutes and sent to her family. The Iowa City nurses were thanked for their hospitality and the meeting adjourned to meet in Burlington in 1916, at the pleasure of the program committee. In the evening the nurses attended a lecture by Helen Kellar and her teacher Mrs. Macey.

THE IOWA STATE ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED NURSES held its twelfth annual convention April 28-29, at Iowa City, immediately following the meeting of the League of Nursing Education. The convention was held in the Assembly Room of the Liberal Arts Building of the State University, and there was a large attendance. Dr. Thomas H. McBride, president of the University, gave an address of welcome; the response was made by Ann J. Jones. The president, Martha Oaks of Davenport, gave an address. The business session followed, and the reports of individual societies showed a decided gain during the year. Ottumwa nurses, with the assistance of the doctors, will erect a memorial to Elizabeth Trotter in the form of a nurses' home. Emma Wilson and Miss Needles of Des Moines gave an account of the hard fight against, and the final defeat of the Miller bill, during the last session of the legislature. An interesting and timely discussion of the Harrison drug law was given by Prof. R. A. Kuever, at the afternoon session. Sectional meetings for private duty nurses, and visiting and school nurses, were presided over by Jane Garrod and Clara Craine, both of Davenport. The private duty nurses organized, with Estelle Mellette of Daven-

port, as chairman. The public health nurses organized at an adjourned meeting the following morning, with Miss Reeder of Dubuque as chairman and Miss Elder of Ottumwa as secretary and treasurer. In the evening Prof. C. C. Nutting gave an illustrated lecture on The Cliff Dwellers. On Saturday, Dr. Mabel C. Williams read an interesting paper on Child Development and Welfare, and Dr. C. J. Rowan gave an address and conducted a clinic for the nurses at the University Hospital. Miss Creelman, Miss Goodale and Miss Reitz were appointed delegates to the Federation of Women's Clubs which was to meet in Iowa City on May 18. The president was authorized to appoint a delegate to the meeting of the Infant Welfare Society to be held in Philadelphia in November next. The social events included a reception at the home of President and Mrs. McBride, and a tea given by the nurses of the University Hospital in the beautiful new home. At the closing business session the following officers were elected: president, Ann J. Jones, Des Moines; vice-presidents, Caroline K. Seerley, Burlington, Helen Peterson, Sioux City; recording secretary, Gyda Bates, Cedar Rapids; corresponding secretary, Ella McDaniels, Cedar Rapids; treasurer, Blanche Bowker, Ottumwa; auditor, Katherine McCarthy. Chairmen of committees are: legislative, Helen M. Needles, Des Moines; constitution, Annie Goodale, Iowa City; credential, Agnes Swift, Washington; finance, Jane Garrod, Davenport; Red Cross, Estella Campbell, Des Moines; nominating, Helen Peterson, Sioux City. Miss Geisman of Dubuque was appointed delegate to the American Nurses' Association, with Gyda Bates as alternate. The next place of meeting will be Burlington.

**Des Moines.**—THE DES MOINES REGISTERED NURSES' ASSOCIATION met on April 6 in Room 513, Fleming Building, Miss Wilson in the chair. The registrar, Miss Robinson, reported for the last quarter that the number of nurses on the directory is 150, attendants, 18; calls filled for nurses, 495, for attendants, 51. The committee appointed to draft a resolution to create public sentiment in favor of an eight-hour service for pupil nurses reported that such legislation would be unconstitutional. Miss Needles reported the investigations being made to secure a larger room for a meeting place. The new constitution was read and carefully discussed. The association met again on April 20 in the Woman's Commercial League Room. After the transaction of business, papers were read by Miss Hinote and Mrs. Tellier on the puzzling questions that confront nurses in different lines of work. An animated contest on An Ideal Training School was participated in by Helen Needles, Laura Chennell, Esther Jackson and Esther Bunch, comparing the advantages of a three year course with an eight hour service, a two year course, a two year course with nine months' preliminary work and the present three year course. The judges declared Miss Needles and Miss Jackson tied for honors.

**Council Bluffs.**—MERCY HOSPITAL held graduating exercises for a class of eight nurses on April 13. Lillian Byrnes has taken charge of Polson Hospital, Polson, Montana, and Mildred Kavan has the appointment of surgical nurse in the same place.

**Oskaloosa.**—THE MAHASKA COUNTY REGISTERED NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its regular meeting on April 17. Essie Wilcox was elected secretary in place of Pearl Evans who has been made assistant superintendent of St. Luke's Training School, Chicago.

**Ottumwa.**—PEARL MOTHERSHEAD, a graduate of St. Luke's, Chicago, has been chosen as superintendent of the Ottumwa Hospital, succeeding the late

Elizabeth Trotter. Miss Thomas and Miss Barclay, both of St. Luke's, will act as assistant superintendent and surgical nurse. The Ottumwa Nurses Alumnae Association has given their room in the hospital a new coat of paint and installed an electric suction light.

**Cedar Rapids.**—JENNIE ROBERTSON, class of 1911, St. Luke's Hospital, has taken charge of the visiting nurse work in Sioux City. Ethel Kohlman, class of 1911, has returned from Chicago, where she has spent the last two years in visiting nurse work. Margaret Stoddard has resigned her position as head nurse at the Moorhead Hospital, Moorhead, Minnesota, and is taking post-graduate work at the Chicago Lying-in Hospital.

**Waterloo.**—ANNA GORDON, class of 1913 of the Presbyterian Hospital, has accepted a position as surgical nurse at the Sartori Memorial Hospital, Cedar Falls.

#### MAINE

THE MAINE STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its last meeting at Bangor. At the close of the session an open meeting was held, when Ella Phillips Crandall, secretary of the National Organization of Public Health Nursing, delivered an address on Public Health Work. This meeting was well attended and a lively interest was taken in the subject. The day following, Miss Crandall spoke at Portland under the auspices of the District Nurses' Association. The annual meeting of the Maine State Nurses' Association will be held in Portland, June 1. The bill for State Registration for Nurses which was presented to the legislature this year for the first time was passed without an amendment. The members feel very grateful that they did not have the long hard struggle and bitter opposition that so many sister states have had, but feel that they have benefited by the endeavors of the pioneer workers. The legislative committee was composed of the following: Mrs. Sarah Hayden, Augusta, chairman; Ida Washburn, Bangor; Lucy J. Potter, Biddeford; Rachael Metcalf, Lewiston; Edith L. Soule, Portland. Charles L. Andrew was the lawyer in charge of the bill, and Niles Perkins presented it in the legislature.

**Portland.**—THE MAINE GENERAL HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its monthly meeting, April 5, the president, Maria M. Irish, in the chair. It was decided to hold a school reunion in June.

THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL held graduating exercises for the class of 1915, May 31. There were four graduates.

Mary Arlite Penney will leave for San Francisco, California, the last of May where she will represent, as delegate, the Maine State Nurses' Association, Maine General Hospital Alumnae Association and Guild of St. Barnabas at their respective conventions.

THE BILL TO CREATE A BOARD OF EXAMINATION AND REGISTRATION OF NURSES which has become a law, reads as follows:

Section 1. Within sixty days after this bill shall go into effect the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council shall appoint a Board of Examination and Registration of Nurses, consisting of four nurses and one physician.

The nurses appointed on this board shall have been graduated each from a different training school, connected with a hospital of good standing, presided over by a graduate nurse, giving at least a two years' general course in theory and practice of nursing in the wards and shall have had at least five years' experience from date of graduation in professional nursing of the sick, and with the

exception of those appointed as members of this first board shall have been registered under the provisions of this act.

The physician appointed on this board shall have been graduated at least five years, shall be a member of the Maine Medical Association, and shall be associated with a general hospital maintaining a training school for nurses.

There shall be at all times at least two members of the board who shall have had two or more years' experience in educational work among nurses.

All members of this board shall be actual residents of the state and engaged in professional work. Each member shall be appointed for a term of three years, except those first appointed who shall serve as follows: one for one year, two for two years, and two for three years. Any vacancy in said board shall be filled by the appointment of a person qualified as aforesaid to hold office during the unexpired term of the member whose place he or she fills, and any member may be removed from office for cause by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council.

Section 2. Said board shall, at the first meeting thereof, and at its annual meetings thereafter, elect from its own number a president and a secretary who shall also be treasurer. Said board may adopt a seal and pin, which shall be placed in the care of the secretary and may adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations for the transaction of the business of the board and the government and management of its affairs, not inconsistent with the laws of this state and of the United States, as it may deem expedient. Three members of said board shall constitute a quorum, and special meetings shall be called upon request of any two members. The secretary shall be required to keep a record of all meetings of the board, including a register of the names of all nurses duly registered under this act which shall be open at all reasonable times to public scrutiny and to furnish a certificate of registration to all such nurses, said certificate to be renewed at the end of five years upon payment of one dollar to the Examining Board, with affidavit to show his or her identity, at least three months' notice having been given, by registered letter, of expiration of said certificate. The board shall provide a schedule of the subjects upon which applicants shall be examined to qualify for the requirements of this act. On request of said board, the Superintendent of Public Buildings shall provide a suitable room in the Capitol for its meetings.

Section 3. The members of said board shall receive their actual necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, and the secretary shall receive a salary to be fixed by the board, not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars per year. The other members of the board shall each receive four dollars per day while actually engaged in attendance upon meetings of said board. Said expenses and said salary shall be paid out of the receipts of said board as hereinafter specified. No charge or expense of any kind shall ever become a charge against the state.

Section 4. At a meeting of said board to be held within sixty days after the appointment of members thereof and at the annual meeting in each year thereafter and at such special meetings as said board may deem necessary to hold for that purpose, notice of each of which meetings shall be given by publication at least one month previous to such meetings in such newspapers and nursing Journals as the board may determine, said board shall examine all applicants for registration under the provisions of this act to determine their qualifications for the efficient nursing of the sick, and shall decide upon the qualifications of

every such applicant and give notice of such decision within three months from the date of such examination. Application for registration shall be made upon blanks furnished by the board and shall be signed and sworn to by applicant. Any person twenty-one years of age or over and of good moral character who shall show to the satisfaction of the board that he or she is a resident of the state, is a graduate of a training school for nurses in good standing, which gives at least a two years' course in a public or private hospital in which a general course of instruction in theory and practice of medical, surgical and obstetrical nursing, or in case of male nurses of genito-urinary work instead of obstetrics, is given, or has had such experience obtained by affiliation or post-graduate work, shall be eligible for such examination upon payment of a fee of five dollars, to be deposited upon the filing of the application for examination. Said examination shall be oral and written and shall include the subjects of elementary anatomy and physiology, materia medica, medical, surgical and obstetrical nursing, dietetics, home sanitation and nursing. If such applicant shall pass said examination to the satisfaction of the board, he or she shall receive a certificate of registration.

Section 5. Any resident of the state twenty-one years of age or over, and of good moral character, applying for registration within two years from the passage of this act, and who shall, by affidavit or otherwise, show to the satisfaction of the board that he or she is a graduate of a training school for nurses, which gives at least a two years' course in a public or private hospital where a general course of instruction is given, or that he or she was, at the passage of this act, a student in such a training school for nurses, and afterwards was graduated therefrom, shall be eligible for registration without examination, upon the payment of a fee of five dollars. The board shall have the power to register in like manner without examination, upon payment of the usual fee, any person who has been registered as a professional nurse in another state under laws, which in the opinion of the board, maintain a standard substantially similar to that of this act, and which extends a similar courtesy to nurses registered in this state.

Section 6. Said board may cancel the registration of any person who has been convicted of any felony, or of any crime or misdemeanor in the practice of the profession of nursing.

Section 7. It shall be unlawful after six months from the passage of this act, for any person to practice professional nursing in this state as a registered nurse without having a certificate of registration. A nurse who has received such certificate and pin shall be styled and known as a "Registered Nurse," and no other person shall assume such title, use the pin, the abbreviation "R.N." or any other words, letters, or figures to indicate that the person using the same is such a registered nurse. Every person who shall violate any provision of this act, or who shall wilfully make false representation to said board in applying for a certificate of registration, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars; provided, that nothing in this act shall be held to apply to the acts of any person nursing the sick who does not represent himself or herself to be a registered nurse. The board shall cause to be presented to the proper prosecuting officer evidence of any violation of the provision of this act and may incur any necessary expenses in the performance of this duty, said expenses to be paid out of the receipts of said board.

Section 8. The treasurer shall receive all fees payable to the board and shall quarterly on the last secular days of March, June, September and December, account for and pay to the Treasurer of State all sums so received which shall

be kept by the Treasurer of State as a separate fund for the payment of the compensation and expenses of the members and the expenses of the board and for executing the provisions of law relating hereto and so much thereof as may be required is hereby appropriated for said purposes. The secretary shall also be reimbursed for all expenditures for books, printing, and other necessary expenses actually incurred in the discharge of his duties, but in no event shall payment for services and expenses of members of the board exceed the amounts received by the Treasurer of State from the treasurer of said board. Any balance remaining to the credit of the board at the end of each year shall be carried forward to the next year. The treasurer of the board shall, before taking office, give to the state a bond with surety conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of said office in the penal sum of not less than five hundred dollars. The board shall also submit to the Governor on or before the first day of January in each year a general statement of the work of the board for the year preceding, including therein a statement of the number of applicants received during the year, the number approved, and the number rejected.

#### MARYLAND

**Baltimore.**—THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held their annual meeting April 5, and entertained the graduating class. C. A. Cox was elected delegate to the American Nurses Association Convention in San Francisco. The following officers were elected: president, M. E. Rolph; vice-presidents, Mary Gavin, Mrs. Page Edmonds; secretary, Mrs. Frank Lynn; treasurer, Mrs. Nathan Winslow; members of executive committee, Misses Cox, McNabb, Sullivan and Hostraner.

THE STATE LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION held a meeting at the Johns Hopkins Hospital April 21. After the report of the nominating committee, a very interesting paper on Hospital Social Service work was read by Margaret Brogden, who is in charge of that department at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. Miss Brogden gave an account of the work in many of its details, telling of the splendid coöperation of the different organizations of the city and from the volunteer workers. She cited a number of individual cases, where the whole aspect of life had been changed through the Social Service department. The discussion which followed proved how deeply interested the members are in this work. Tea was served by Miss Baker, and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent.

#### MASSACHUSETTS

**Boston.**—THE CITY HOSPITAL NURSES CLUB held a very pretty May party at the Ann Vose, May 4. This was the last meeting of the season. There were about fifty nurses in gay crepe paper costumes, which were much admired. Refreshments were served, after the dancing. Prizes of May baskets were awarded, first to the "Indian Maid," the second to "Night." Florence N. Levensaler, graduate of the Boston City Hospital has been appointed resident nurse at the Infirmary of the Amherst Agricultural College.

A committee consisting of Mrs. W. W. Vaughn, Sara E. Parsons and Dr. Daniel Jones, has sent six graduates, specially qualified nurses, to work under the British branch of the French Red Cross, in a hospital at Fort Mahon, near Boulogne. This committee guaranteed transportation to London and return to Boston. In London they were received by the agent of this branch, which paid



all traveling expenses to Fort Mahon, and promises transportation to London, on return. The nurses who give their services, are: Madam Annette Sirois, and Anna Loughrey, Massachusetts General Hospital; Miss Durant, Homeopathic Hospital, Boston; Mrs. Charles J. Lincoln and Marion Hamblin, City Hospital, Augusta, Maine, the latter the late assistant superintendent Knox County Hospital, Rockland, Maine, and Mrs. Charlotte Kilner, graduate of an English hospital. Margaret Henderson, Massachusetts General Hospital, paid all her own expenses and traveled with this group. She will also work at Fort Mahon. The party left Boston at midnight, May 7, for New York, and sailed on the *Philadelphia*, May 8.

ON APRIL 13, Mrs. Thomas Allen addressed the members of the Women's City Club, on the work of Lydia Holman as a Friendly Nurse in the mountains of North Carolina. On April 16, at the home of Dr. S. J. Mixter, Madam Depage, whose husband, Dr. Depage is working under the Belgian Red Cross, spoke to the Boston nurses. The nurses were deeply interested, and after consulting with the councillors of the state association, which met the next day, decided to send out circulars asking each nurse in the state to contribute 25 cents; the state association to bear the expense of printing and mailing. A large committee was appointed. Miss Tisdale, who is in charge of the Homeopathic directory, St. Mary's Street, Brookline, will receive the contributions. (Madame Depage was one of the victims of the *Lusitania* disaster.—ED.)

On April 23, at the Boston Nurses' Club, an interested audience listened to Miss Burris' account of her work in the American Ambulance Hospital at Neuilly. Admission was charged and tea served. Twenty-five dollars were obtained for the Red Cross Work.

THE GUILD OF ST. BARNABAS held the monthly meeting at St. Paul's Cathedral Church, on April 28. Six members were admitted by Dean Rousmaniere, who also gave an address. The business meeting followed. The treasurer's report showed the finances to be in good condition. It was voted to send one delegate for the united branches to represent the Guild at the meeting in San Francisco. After adjournment Rosamond Bradley gave an illustrated talk on her experiences while in charge of the orphanage at Dr. Grenfell's Mission, at St. Anthony, Newfoundland. Both talk and views were interesting and amusing. It seems astonishing that amid the barren poverty of St. Anthony's Mission \$400 were raised at a fair, for the Belgian Relief Fund.

**Rockland.**—On April 20, at the annual meeting of the parent-teachers' association, Miss Platt, the district nurse, spoke on the proper feeding of children.

**Gloucester.**—Under the will of a patient who died in the Addison Gilbert Hospital in 1910, the hospital has recently received \$115,000. This bequest makes the hospital self-supporting.

**Salem.**—On April 13, the nurses' association held a meeting at the Essex Institute. Mrs. C. H. Masury spoke on suffrage.

**Canton.**—On April 21, A. May Lentell, graduate of the Newton Hospital, sailed for Belgium, to work under the Red Cross.

**Malden.**—THE MALDEN HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL held its graduating exercises in the Pratt Building, April 20. Eight nurses were in the class.

**Hathorne.**—THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE DANVERS STATE HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES held the regular meeting at the hospital Wednesday, April 14. Mrs. Julia A. Reed, presided. The reports of the various committees were read, and officers for the ensuing year were nominated. Two

graduates of the class of 1914 were elected to membership, making the number of active members sixty. Mrs. Mary M. Carter, class of 1891, read a very interesting paper on First Aid to the Injured. A social hour followed adjournment.

**Arlington.**—AT THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMEN'S CLUB \$50 was appropriated to Symmes Hospital, \$25 to the district nurse, and \$10 to name a day at the Hospital.

**Cambridge.**—Various patriotic societies gave a reception for Mrs. Fanny T. Hazen, president of the Army Nurses' Association, on May 8, the eve of her seventy-fifth birthday, in the G. A. R. Hall. Mrs. Hazen was presented with a purse of gold.

**Worcester.**—THE WORCESTER STATE HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL has changed its course from two to three years, having arranged an affiliation with Bellevue whereby the nurses go there for nine months during their training. The Hospital has contributed \$76 to the Belgian Relief Fund.

## PENNSYLVANIA

**Philadelphia.**—THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILADELPHIA GENERAL HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES, held its regular monthly meeting, May 3, Leopoldine Guinther, second vice-president, in the chair. Thirty members were present. After the routine business was transacted, the scholarship committee presented the names of two candidates as applicants for the Alice Fisher Memorial Scholarship, Leopoldine Guinther, chief nurse at the Rush Hospital, Philadelphia and Sadie M. Mahoney, Webber Hospital, Biddeford, Me. Miss Guinther was awarded the scholarship by majority vote, and will enter Teachers College, Columbia University in the autumn. At the request of the National League of Nursing Education the Alumnae will co-operate with it by sending out one thousand copies of a questionnaire, provided by the National, but assuming the necessary mailing expense. At the solicitation of Miss Eager, the Alumnae voted \$75 to the Nurses' Club of Philadelphia, for household replenishing.

THE NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE WOMAN'S HOSPITAL held its monthly meeting, April 14, at the Club House, 1520 Arch Street. Good reports were given by all committees. Several new members were elected, giving added interest to the campaign workers. The president, Nettie Guthrie, was elected delegate to the convention of the American Nurses Association. Resolutions were adopted on the death of Miss Cromwell, class of 1889. There was an interesting discussion of the four proposed amendments to the state registration law, which are: first, raising the fee from \$5 to \$10; second, reciprocity; third, educational director for training schools; fourth, change of personnel of board of examiners. The association extends a hearty welcome to all members and strangers, at the monthly meetings, and hopes to have a good attendance for the remainder of the year.

THE PRIVATE DUTY NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its first annual meeting, at the Nurses' Club, April 2. The following officers were elected: president, Martha C. Lafferty; vice-presidents, Elizabeth Morgan, Carrie W. Price; recording secretary, Elizabeth J. Beattie; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Ida H. Selden. The membership committee reported that the list of members had more than doubled during the year. The library committee reported that the circulating library was making fair progress. The association is conscious

of a strong spirit of progressiveness, having as its foundation the main thought of the raising of the standard of nurses and of the profession, in every way.

**Roxborough.**—THE NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ST. TIMOTHY'S HOSPITAL AND HOUSE OF MERCY held its annual meeting in the nurses' home, April 7. Routine business was transacted and three new members admitted. It was voted to send five dollars to the Red Cross Division of the Emergency Aid Committee.

**West Chester.**—THE CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its tenth annual meeting at the nurses' home, May 7. There were seventeen active members present, and eight new names proposed for membership.

**Harrisburg.**—THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE HARRISBURG HOSPITAL held its monthly meeting May 5, with fifteen members present. The graduating exercises of the class of 1915, were held June 1. The class numbered ten pupils.

**Beaver Valley.**—THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE BEAVER VALLEY GENERAL HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES were held May 14, at the First Presbyterian Church. There are eight graduates in the class.

**Pittsburgh.**—THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE PITTSBURGH TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES held its regular monthly meeting April 1. Helena Hallock, who was in the Army Nurse Corps for five years, gave an interesting talk on the work and social life of an army nurse. The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the association was held at the Fort Pitt Hotel, April 16. The president, Miss Burdette being absent, Miss Baer presided. A résumé of the year's work was read by the secretary. Eleven meetings have been held, including White Gift Day and the 1914 annual meeting. The special work of the year has been sewing and the collection of white gifts for the nursery of the Homeopathic Hospital and war relief work for the Red Cross in making dressings and collecting funds. Addresses have been given during the year as follows: Woman Suffrage, Mary Blakewell; Tuberculosis, Dr. S. W. Rinehart; Twilight Sleep, Dr. F. V. Woolbridge; The Army Nurse, Helena Hallock. One evening was devoted to readings and music with a social hour following. The officers elected were: president, Alice A. Griswold; vice-presidents, Anna Bear, Lyda Hupp; treasurer, Margaret Porter; secretary (relected), Mrs. Caroline H. Metcalf; chairman of committees, membership, Emma Ruttkamp; visiting, Louise Huemmerick. After the business meeting, dinner was served and letters were read from absent members. Two of special interest were from Mrs. O. M. Shuman, an ex-superintendent, now living in Manila, and from the first pupil nurse of the school, Miss Shattuck, who is still doing some work in California. The training school was established in 1887 with seven pupils and now has over sixty enrolled. Greetings were sent by telegram to the absent president, Miss Burdette. The May meeting was held at the dormitory on the 6th. Miss Griswold reported the sum of \$425 as the result of the work of the alumnae at the Spring Festival of the hospital board held at the Rittenhouse, April 29-May 1. The nurses had charge of the doll booth. After the business meeting, Mabel Dickey, a returned missionary teacher from Egypt, told of mission work there.

## MICHIGAN

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION AND THE SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN STATE LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION were held in Ann Arbor, May 4, 5 and 6, in the Barbour Gymnasium, Sarah Caswell Angell Hall. On May 4, after the invocation by Rev.

L. A. Barrett, a warm address of welcome was delivered by President H. B. Hutchins, University of Michigan. Following the reports by officers and committees, the president, Ida M. Barrett, read her annual address in which she referred to the loss of Elizabeth A. Greener, by removal from the state, the death of Isabel McIsaac, and the brave work of Michigan nurses in foreign Red Cross service. Annie M. Coleman, State Inspector of Training Schools, reported that 600 copies of the new curriculum had been sent out, that 67 per cent of the nurses graduating since 1912 have taken the State Board Examination and that twelve schools have not sent nurses to take the examination. A parliamentary drill was then conducted by Mrs. Emma A. Fox of Detroit. A luncheon was given in honor of the retiring members of the State Board of Registration, Mrs. Elizabeth Tacey and Dr. Arthur Scidmore, also to the new members, Emily A. McLaughlin and Dr. Reuben Peterson. At 4.15 p.m. a delightful organ recital was enjoyed at the Hill Auditorium, by courtesy of the University School of Music. At 8.00 p.m. an illustrated lecture on Causes of Insanity was given by Dr. A. M. Barrett, professor of psychiatry and diseases of the nervous system, University of Michigan. Edna L. Foley, Superintendent Visiting Nurse Association, Chicago, spoke of the 3,000,000 sick daily in the United States and that only 10 per cent are provided for in hospital beds; as only 10 per cent of the working people in this country earn over \$800 a year in wages, there is necessity for the public health nurse. The association voted to become a corporate member of the National Public Health Organization.

On May 5, an illustrated lecture was given by Dr. Reuben Peterson, professor of obstetrics and gynecology and medical director of University Hospital. Subject, Relation of the Nursing Profession to the Cancer Propaganda, and Institutional Treatment of Contagious Diseases. Sarah Burrowes, Social Worker, University Hospital, spoke on Hospital Social Service. Her comparison of the old-fashioned family physician and his intimate knowledge of the family with the hospital situation where the busy physician can only treat the disease, clearly demonstrated the need for the social worker in a hospital. Anna Schill, delegate, presented the report for the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

At 2.00 p.m. the subject of Vocational Training for Women was presented in an admirable address by Prof. A. S. Whitney. Alice Lake, Assistant Principal of Farrand Training School followed with an excellent paper on The Nursing Profession as a Vocation for Women. This program was planned by the State League. Agnes G. Deans, chairman, affiliation committee, reported that a fund would be required to meet the expense of developing a plan for forming district organizations. The association voted to allow \$200. A pleasant social event was the tea given by the Washtenaw County Graduate Nurses' Association, assisted by members of the Women's League and student nurses from the hospitals.

In the evening the surgical amphitheater, University Hospital, was overcrowded by doctors, students and nurses who watched with intense interest a demonstration, planned by the State League, given by nurses from five different cities.

On Wednesday afternoon Annie M. Coleman, presided at the second annual meeting of the State League of Nursing Education. The report on the revision of constitution and by-laws was adopted. Jane Pindell, chairman, presented a report on University Extension Work, covering a survey of thirty-three educational centers in the United States. Twenty-seven universities have organized

twelve training schools for nurses, six preparatory courses, five extension courses and fourteen special (social service, public health, economics.) The membership has increased and in Detroit the members are forming a city league.

On May 6, an excellent paper was read by Carol F. Walton, secretary, on Work of the State Tuberculosis Association. Only five hundred beds are available in sanatoria. There are eight fresh air schools. The State Board of Health has recently been allowed \$100,000 to fight tuberculosis, and a state nurse is soon to be appointed. Governor Ferris has given the work his endorsement in a public proclamation. Michigan has a very active Red Cross Committee under the leadership of Mrs. L. E. Gretter, who stands for a high type of service. She reported that the nurses were highly complimented during the G. A. R. encampment in Detroit and Michigan nurses are bearing their share of the burden abroad in the same spirit as the men who serve in the trenches. After the election of officers and adoption of resolutions a tour of the University Buildings was enjoyed.

The convention arranged by the two executive boards with Miss Pemberton as chairman, was voted one of the best that the nurses have attended. Each one received help and inspiration for her future work. Kalamazoo was selected for the convention city in 1916. Officers were elected as follows:

Michigan State Nurses' Association: president, Ida M. Barrett, Grand Rapids; vice-presidents, Elizabeth Parker, Lansing; Mrs. Mary Foley, Houghton; treasurer, Kittie Hart, Saginaw; recording secretary, Mary Welsh, Grand Rapids; corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. K. Wheeler, Port Huron; councilors, Mrs. L. E. Gretter, Detroit; Sarah Sly, Birmingham.

Michigan State League of Nursing Education: president, Annie Coleman, Lansing; vice-president, Mrs. L. E. Gretter, Detroit; secretary, Mrs. Mary Lovering, Detroit; treasurer, Amanda Judson, Ludington; chairman, credential committee, Emma Cross, Ypsilanti.

**Detroit.**—THE WAYNE COUNTY NURSES' ASSOCIATION held an adjourned meeting, May 9. The action of the executive board in hiring a second assistant for the directory, was ratified, and the members voted to send a gift of \$10 to the State Nurses' Association. The president, Zoe La Forge was instructed to appoint a chairman for the library committee, to succeed herself, and the committee was authorized to use a part or all of the \$25 recommended last year, for books for Wayne County Nurses' Library. The registrar gave a report of total number of calls received, four hundred and nine. Owing to the increased work transacted at the directory office, with the corresponding increase in the incoming and outgoing telephone calls, a second telephone was installed May 1 for outgoing calls.

AT THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE WAYNE COUNTY NURSES' ASSOCIATION held April 28, ninety applicants were elected into membership.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL ALUMNAE was held at Palmer Avenue Nurses' Club, April 8. A miscellaneous shower was given by the Palmer Avenue Nurses' Club to Vera Carter. The alumnae was well represented and the occasion greatly enjoyed by all. Veronica Brennan entertained the class of 1912, April 17, in honor of Charlotte Malin.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE GRACE HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES were held in the Westminster Church, May 27. Following the exercises a reception was held at the Helen Newbury Nurses' Home. Nellie Gerard, of Windsor, left recently with a Canadian contingent to assist in Red Cross work. At the meeting of the Alumnae, April 13,

Ruth Holdridge was appointed delegate to the American Nurses' Association to be held in San Francisco, June 20-26. Mary F. Brown was appointed alternate.

INDIVIDUAL NURSES AND ORGANIZATIONS at Port Huron, Saginaw, Bay City, Calumet, Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids, Ypsilanti, Wyandotte, Windsor, and Detroit, enlisted in last winter's campaign for the sale of calendars, the proceeds of which are to be used by the American Nurses' Relief Fund. Seven hundred and thirty calendars were shipped to Michigan and distributed to the above named places. It is not known just how many calendars were sold, but \$255.67 was sent to the treasurer of the American Nurses' Association. The Nurses feel, notwithstanding the many calls from other sources for money along charitable lines, that the calendars sold well, and thank all for their cooperation in this, our own, philanthropy.

THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE FARRAND TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES, Harper Hospital, were held at Wayne County Medical Society Auditorium, April 21. The class numbers twenty-eight members. Margaret Craig, graduate of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, Scotland, has returned to England to enlist in Red Cross work. Agnes Hannon, graduate of Bethnal Green Infirmary, London, England, who has been nursing in Tampa during the past winter, sailed for France, February 27, to care for wounded soldiers.

**Flint.**—THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE HURLEY HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES, were held May 19 at the Elks' Temple. There were nine nurses in the class.

#### MINNESOTA

THE MINNESOTA STATE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its eleventh semi-annual meeting in Minneapolis, April 20. According to the usual custom this meeting was social in its nature. A luncheon was served at the Hotel Radisson, at which there were present eighty nurses. The secretary's report showed that since the annual meeting in St. Paul in October, when the change in Constitution and By-laws was made providing for corporate as well as individual membership, eighteen alumnae associations have joined the state organization, aggregating six hundred and thirty-six members, while the individual membership has dropped from one hundred and thirty-five to about twenty-five. The question of organizing a State Public Health Nurses Association, to be affiliated with the state Association was discussed. Miss Kellar, chairman of the American Hospital Association, asked that interest be taken, and exhibits sent to the non-commercial exhibit to be held in San Francisco. After the luncheon a most interesting and helpful talk was given by Prof. H. J. Fletcher of the Law School of the University of Minnesota on Legal Questions of Interest to Nurses. He spoke of the Harrison Drug Act, and advised them to inform themselves of the features of this law that might concern them, and especially warned them against evading the law in any way, or for any purpose.

#### MISSISSIPPI

THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR NURSES will meet in Jackson, Mississippi, at the State Capitol on the first Monday in July, 1915, to examine nurses who desire to register in Mississippi, and who are not eligible under the waiver.

M. H. TRIGG, *Secretary-Treasurer*,  
Sanitarium, Greenville.

## MISSOURI

THE PRIVATE DUTY NURSE SECTION OF THE MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION has elected the following officers: president, Elizabeth A. Doran, St. Joseph; vice-president, Lulu G. Bender, St. Louis; secretary-treasurer, Lucy Walters, 4035 Agnes Avenue, Kansas City.

**St. Louis.**—THE ST. LOUIS LEAGUE FOR NURSING EDUCATION has amended its constitution and by-laws to conform with the National. The League has asked Kansas City to coöperate in forming a state league.

TESSA MITCHEL AND AMELIA HAGEMAN, graduates of the St. Louis Training School for Nurses, have accepted positions at the Barnes Hospital.

THE LOCAL RED CROSS COMMITTEE entertained Nellie Heinzelman of St. Luke's, Minnie Hermann, of the Lutheran, Anna C. Robinson of the Jewish Hospitals, and Esther Cousley and Anna R. McCallach, of the Baptist Sanitarium, at a farewell dinner previous to their departure for New York, to sail under orders in the Red Cross Nursing service.

THE JEWISH HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its annual bazaar February 17, for the benefit of the scholarship and relief fund, realizing \$1830.

**St. Joseph.**—SALLIE BRYANT, president of the State Nurses' Association, will act as delegate to the National Convention in San Francisco, in place of Nan L. Dorsey, who resigned. The nurses of St. Joseph anticipate with pleasure the expected visit of Sophia F. Palmer, editor of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING.

**Kansas City.**—THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held a social meeting at the Club House, April 13, to meet Ella P. Crandall, the superintendent of the training school, and senior class. A paper was read by Mary Morgan, class of 1897, on The Nurse, which was very interesting, particularly to the older graduates. A large number of nurses assembled at the Club House, April 20, to welcome Clara Tulloss, one of the Red Cross nurses recently returned from Servia. Miss Tulloss has fully recovered from an attack of typhus, and has accepted the position of assistant superintendent of nurses at St. Luke's Hospital.

THE GENERAL HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its annual meeting May 10, and elected the following officers: president, Alice Drennan; vice-presidents, Mary Ehrenhofer, Theresa Silkey; recording secretary, Edna Hard-san; corresponding secretary, Eleanor Burns; treasurer, Blake Gann; chairman printing committee, Clara Crowe; visiting committee, Mary Quigley. Clara Slusher, who was invalided home because of typhus fever, gave an interesting account of her work. Refreshments were served.

## MONTANA

THE MONTANA STATE NURSES EXAMINING BOARD, will hold its annual meeting and examination for the registration of nurses, June 14, 15, 16, beginning at 9 a.m. at the State Capitol, Helena, Mont. For information address N. Lester Bennett, R.N., Secretary-Treasurer, Bennett Hotel, Butte, Montana.

## NEBRASKA

THE NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF NURSES' EXAMINERS will hold examinations for nurses at the State House, Lincoln, June 15-16, instead of May 6 and 7, as previously announced.

GRACE V. BRADLEY, R.N., *Secretary*,  
Lister Hospital, Omaha, Nebraska.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Franklin.**—The graduating exercises of the FRANKLIN HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL were held April 15, in the opera house. After the exercises, a reception was held in the G. A. R. hall by the class in which were five graduates.

## NEW JERSEY

THE NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSES will hold an examination for the registration of nurses on June 15, 16 and 17, 1915, if the number of applications warrant it, at the State House, Trenton. Applications must be filed with the secretary-treasurer, Jennie M. Shaw, R.N., 487 Orange Street, Newark, N. J.

**Orange.**—THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES, were held April 29, at the Women's Club, East Orange. Fifteen nurses were in the class. Mary B. Campbell read the class essay.

It has been definitely decided that the Annual Council of the Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses will not be held in San Francisco, as originally planned, to coincide with the other National organization meetings. Many branches felt that the expense of sending their representatives so far was greater than they could meet. Some had been devoting their energies so greatly to Red Cross work that nothing was left for delegates, and as business is brought up at these meetings, which is too important to be decided by only a small proportion of represented branches, the executive officers have deemed it wiser to make the change. It has long been the wish of the Guild at large to affiliate with the American Nurses' Association. Difficulties in each constitution have hitherto barred the way; but it is hoped that some method may be devised by which the union may be effected, and that the subject may be brought up at the convention.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STATE ASSOCIATION, was held in Newark, May 5, to discuss the advisability of having the association represented at the presidents' council of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, to be held in Atlantic City. It was decided that the president, Arabella R. Creech, should attend the council. In addition to the officers of the State Nurses' Association, elected April 6, the following chairmen of standing committees were appointed: printing, Mary J. Stone, Hackensack Hospital, Hackensack; membership, Annie J. Curry, 109 Essex Avenue, Orange; ways and means, Martha W. Moore, Maplewood; Red Cross, Emily A. Jummel, 754 Wright Avenue, Camden; public health, Annie Mackay, 16 Camp Street, Newark.

**Hackensack.**—THE NURSES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE HACKENSACK HOSPITAL, held its semi-annual meeting in the reception room of the hospital, May 3, Irene Brewster presiding. Anna Scott, the delegate to the New Jersey State meeting at Elizabeth read an interesting report. Helen Stephen, chairman of the New Jersey Red Cross Association, gave a talk on her work which is especially interesting to all nurses at this time. Tea was served in the dining room.

## NEW YORK

**New York.**—THE NURSING AND HEALTH SECTION OF THE ALUMNI CONFERENCE OF TEACHERS COLLEGE held round tables on February 19 and 20. The first of these dealt with The Teaching Problems of the Public Health Nurse, Bessie LeLacheur presiding. Reports from members in the field show that many calls



are coming for classes and lectures dealing with varied topics. These requests come from sewing societies, settlement house, camp fire girls, Y. W. C. A. classes, mothers' clubs of all types, teachers' institutes, normal students, parent-teachers' associations, factory girls, shop-girls, etc. Groups of nurses are taught the principles of visiting nursing, city problems, child welfare and some of the principles of teaching. One member speaks of lectures on visiting nursing to medical students. The groups are large and small, composed of people of all ages, social types, languages, and all grades of intelligence. The methods found to be most successful for the larger groups are the talk or class, accompanied, if possible, by a demonstration or stereopticon views, and for the smaller groups and individuals, the conference or personal talk. Health exhibits are recommended for the very large groups. The main difficulties seem to be the lack of preparation for teaching, the difficulty of securing good reference-books to consult and of getting time to properly prepare for classes. In the general discussion which followed the report, it was agreed that the public health nurse should, wherever possible, take advantage of the special courses offered in public health work. If she cannot do this, she should by reading and attending lectures prepare herself to the fullest extent for teaching. The importance of continued efforts, of practice in teaching and speaking was emphasized, and it was suggested that the nurse should not overlook the value of demonstration. Because of the generally accepted need of a bibliography, covering all subjects on which the public health nurse may be called upon to speak and the importance of outlining her subjects, thus presenting her facts in logical order, Miss Amerman was appointed chairman of a committee to work toward this end.

A conference for superintendents and instructors of schools of nursing was held on the same evening, Miss Clayton presiding. Many topics had been sent to the chairman for discussion, but that of Shorter Hours for Nurses seemed the most vital and was discussed from the following standpoints: Recent investigations showing the effect of long hours of work on women in other occupations as well as nursing; conditions and demands in training schools for nurses calling for a shorter working day such as the character of the work, the need for the highest efficiency, the need of attracting more and better women, the need of adequate time for educational work, the responsibility of the hospital to give shorter hours and better educational facilities to the nurse; experiments in individual schools as to what has been done about reducing hours and suggestions as to what can be done. Effie Taylor of Johns Hopkins Hospital presented a paper upon the first topic for discussion. Data taken from a pamphlet issued by the Consumers' League of Philadelphia showed that in labor centers, the first step was investigation; second, experimentation showing results; third, education of public opinion; fourth, legislation. At present only one state controls the hours of duty for pupil nurses, but as far as the Federal Government is concerned, we come under some, at least, of the labor laws, and is there not danger that unless we move rapidly, some other body of women perhaps, seeing the ill effect of long hours on duty for nurses, will take that privilege away from us, and force us by labor laws to conform to what we should recognize and control? Elizabeth E. Burgess of Chicago, presented a paper concerning the conditions and demands in training schools calling for a shorter day. Sara E. Parsons, of the Massachusetts General Hospital, stated that she felt the subject of shorter hours for nurses to be one of the most important that could be considered, that we should aim to give our nurses not more than 56 hours weekly, inclusive of all

classes. The necessity for legislation on the subject of hours is to be deplored as it is bound to drag us down, and our work is such that in emergencies we should be allowed to work longer. If, however, hospitals do not bestir themselves to create more favorable conditions, trade unions will do so, as there is no way to prevent legislation ultimately unless we create such conditions voluntarily as will make it obviously absurd to consider legislation. Louise M. Powell of the University of Minnesota gave an outline of the shorter hour system as worked out in that institution, proving its value both to patients and nurses. The paper by Louise Powell on Existing Affiliations between Schools of Nursing and Universities gave a very comprehensive survey of the various types of nursing courses in which there is more or less definite connection with universities. It is perfectly evident that in several cases this connection means nothing more than a name, that university standards of admission do not prevail, that while some of the teaching may be given by officers of the university, the amount or character of the teaching is not different from that done in any other school. Where there is real organic connection with the university, the advantages of university connection are many. Some of the practical problems arising from such affiliations were presented by Helen Bridge (Washington University Hospital); Miss Bailey (Robt. W. Long Hospital), Indianapolis; Helen Wood, Children's Hospital, Boston; Alice Smith, University of North Dakota and Miss Evans of Cleveland.

Some of these problems related to the administrative arrangement and some to teaching. The lack of sufficient time is one familiar difficulty, the importance of getting close coördination between theory and practice, the adjustments of the crediting system to cover the practical work in the hospital as well as the class work, are others. Where preliminary courses alone are given and where they are optional, the main problem is to attract enough students to make the course worth while.

Miss Hall then took the chair and called upon Dean Russell who introduced the topic of The University and Nursing Education. Beginning with the statement that the function of the University is to teach whatever the public needs, to train leaders for social service, Dean Russell took up the meaning of social service in its larger aspects. He traced the origin of many of the commoner forms of social service to private and voluntary organizations whose primary motive was probably narrowly partisan but who nevertheless made many serviceable contributions to human welfare. The tendency of all types of education as of many other social institutions is to pass over from personal or group management to state or national control. Nursing education came into existence to meet a special need and has until the present time been largely under individual, sectarian or commercial control. This is the first stage in its evolution. The recognition of the nurse as an educator and a public servant, makes it imperative that the state shall eventually control nursing education. It is Dean Russell's belief that the nursing education of the future may develop radically different aspects, that the educational function of the nurse will be magnified and that many of the present features of nursing work, even the name itself, may eventually disappear. Constructive leadership in all these developments will undoubtedly come from the University and the larger growth will come about through coöperation with all other branches of public service. No educational group can be isolated by itself, all will be welded together into one great educational system, performing a social service whose reach is beyond our present comprehension.

The Saturday morning session began with a brief business meeting at which Susan Watson presided. Miss Parker reported that the Loan Fund had reached the sum of \$1190, \$110 having been contributed by the Nurses' Club of 1912-1913. The fund has already proven its usefulness, several loans having been made. The publication committee reports that the pamphlet on Opportunities is now in its tenth thousand. Another pamphlet dealing with post-graduate courses for nurses is in process of preparation. Several matters of business were referred to the executive committee for final decision. Miss Nutting concluded the session by a summary of the developments in the department during the past year, a few interesting items of news regarding former students and members of the alumnae, and a short review of the significant changes of the past year in the general field of nursing. The members then adjourned to The Bancroft where luncheon was served, Miss Goodrich presiding.

THE NEW YORK LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION held its annual meeting at the City Hospital, Blackwell's Island, May 5. The publicity committee reported that seven talks had been given to high schools students on Nursing as a Vocation. The chairman recommended this method as an effective means of getting proper information before future applicants. Other publicity methods were discussed and several members volunteered to each raise the sum of \$16 toward a contribution to be used for magazine articles. Miss Parsons discussed Plan II of the preliminary course as published in the twentieth annual report of the National League. This provides for probationers having assigned duties on the wards daily for a period of four hours, also a total number of two hundred and seventy hours of class and lecture periods during the four months' preparatory course. Miss Parsons favored the plan of head nurses assisting with the teaching in the special subjects of instruction in which they have direct supervision on the wards. Amendments to the by-laws which made provision for associate membership, whereby workers in social service, educational and preventive nursing are eligible, were passed. The annual dues were raised to one dollar. The following officers were elected: president, Elizabeth A. Greener; vice-president, Florence Johnson; secretary, Katherine Decker; treasurer, Margaret Dudley.

THE NEW YORK COUNTY REGISTERED NURSES' ASSOCIATION will hold its annual meeting on June 1 at the Academy of Medicine, to elect officers, amend the by-laws and hear the report of the legislative committee. At the meeting on April 6, the proposed changes in the by-laws were read and Miss Goodrich gave a report of the legislative work. Dr. Leiser of the Public Health Education Department of the Health Board gave an illustrated lecture on Patent Medicines.

CENTRAL CLUB HEADQUARTERS will be maintained at 54 East 34th Street until the new club house shall be finished. Although the lease has not been renewed, it is possible for members to obtain rooms there or to consult a list of investigated rooms outside. War Relief Headquarters at the Club will now be discontinued. Great quantities of supplies have been forwarded to the warring countries through the Red Cross. During April a party was formed to visit the Red Cross shipping station at Bush Terminal, the Colgate factory, and the East River homes, including the Junior League Hotel for Women. The social activities of the Central Club have included a dance at the Hotel Mar-seilles which netted over \$400. During May tea was served on Friday afternoons to members and their friends. A photo drama of Creation was given one evening.

THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE NEW YORK POST GRADUATE HOSPITAL

is sending M. Agnes Gibney as a delegate to California. Members living on the coast will also serve as delegates. The alumnae gave a dance at the Hotel Mar-seilles on the evening of April 14. Commencement exercises for this year's class of thirty-nine members were held at the Margaret Fahnestock Training School on the evening of April 6. Among the speakers were Rev. John C. Fagg, Dr. Edward Quintard, Dr. George Gray Ward, Jr., Robert E. Todd and Anne W. Goodrich.

HAHNEMANN HOSPITAL graduated a class of fourteen nurses on the evening of May 17, the exercises being held in the Seventh Regiment Armory. The address was by W. H. Conley, M.D. The diplomas were presented by James G. Cannon and the badges by William H. Van den Burg, M.D. Dancing followed the exercises. Alice I. Twitchell, superintendent of the training school, who has been engaged in executive positions in training schools and hospitals in New York and Illinois for the past twenty-five years, will retire from active work in June and will take a much needed rest. She will be in Middlebury, Vermont, for the present. Isabella C. Turner, who has been the first assistant superintendent of the school for the past six years resigned recently to be married. Jane F. Brackebush, a graduate of the training school, who was in charge of the maternity ward for one year and who has been second assistant superintendent for two years, has resigned and will do private nursing for the present.

THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION has issued its annual report which gives, in convenient form, lists of officers and members, with addresses, and the reports of secretary and treasurer.

JANE ELIZABETH HITCHCOCK, who has had leave of absence from her work at the Henry Street Settlement for some time, has now resigned her position of superintendent of nurses. Her work in this capacity and as secretary of the State Board of Nurse Examiners has been invaluable and she will be greatly missed. California nurses are, however, congratulating themselves on having her in their midst.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL held graduating exercises for a class of twenty-nine on the evening of April 14 in the chapel of the hospital. Dean Grosvenor gave the address. A supper and dancing followed.

**Brooklyn.**—THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES OF THE LONG ISLAND COLLEGE HOSPITAL has elected the following officers: president, E. Violetta Toupet; vice-presidents, Mrs. Jessie Cavens, Christine Sutherland; treasurer, Mary C. Fraser; secretaries, Eleanor Driscoll, Anna Burgess; directors, Charlotte Taylor, five years, Mabel Phelps, two years. Miss Toupet has been president of the Kings County Association and her familiarity with such duties, with her well-known energy, admirably adapt her for the position. A vote of thanks accorded the retiring officers was well deserved. Miss Hoge, chairman of the entertainment committee, reported a dance and a series of teas for the past season. Emma Everhard, who had recently returned from Red Cross service in Servia, gave a graphic account of her experiences.

**Rochester.**—This city has won both the state and national pennants awarded for having sold the greatest number of Red Cross seals per capita for cities of its class in the state and nation.

HAHNEMANN HOSPITAL held graduating exercises for a class of eleven in the ball room of the Powers Hotel on May 11. The principal address was given by Dr. Henry Applegarth.

THE ROCHESTER GENERAL HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its annual

meeting at the Nurses' Home on April 8. Two delegates were nominated to attend the San Francisco convention, Miss Lutes and Miss Widman. One hundred and fifty dollars was appropriated for Dr. Fitch's hospital in France. The following officers were elected for the coming year: president, Mrs. Nellie C. Lindsay; first vice-president, Linda Baker; corresponding secretary, Katherine Weldner; treasurer, Mrs. Henry Jesserer.

THE ROCHESTER HOMEOPATHIC HOSPITAL held graduating exercises for a class of eleven nurses in the Eastman Home on the evening of May 11. The address was given by Rev. Z. S. Farland. Dr. Charles R. Sumner presented the class and Mrs. Martin W. Cooke presented the diplomas.

THE MONROE COUNTY REGISTERED NURSES' ASSOCIATION held a reception for the graduating classes of all the training schools of the city on the evening of May 4. An address was given by Bertha J. Gardner of the JOURNAL staff.

**Buffalo.**—THE BUFFALO HOMEOPATHIC HOSPITAL held graduating exercises on the evening of May 20, in the Buffalo Seminary.

THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE BUFFALO HOSPITAL OF THE SISTERS OF CHARITY held its regular meeting on May 11, at the hospital, Miss Turner, the vice-president, in the chair. Letters were read from Miss Bundy and Miss Scanlon, who are in Belgrade, Servia. The Nurses' Aid Society of the hospital held its annual election in the Green Room of the hospital, when an enjoyable evening was spent. Katherine Shaddock, president of the association, is taking a post graduate course at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Katherine Danner has resigned her position as chief nurse at the State Laboratory for the study of malignant diseases.

THE BUFFALO NURSES' ASSOCIATION has moved to its new quarters, 131 Linwood Avenue, where the regular monthly meeting was held on May 10, Mrs. Fehr presiding. Kate Kennedy read letters from Miss Bundy and Miss Scanlon. A reception was held for Carolyn Bill and Miss M. Sturtzer, members of the association who sailed for Austria on May 16, under the American Red Cross.

#### NORTH DAKOTA

THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its third annual meeting at Grand Forks, April 27-28. Following the invocation by Rev. W. H. Matthews, addresses of welcome were made by Dr. H. E. French, and the president of the Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Frank L. McVey. Response was by the secretary-treasurer, Frances Riordan. In the absence of the president, Bertha Erdmann, her address was read by the vice-president. At the close of the morning session, a telegram of interest and sympathy was sent to Miss Erdmann, who is ill at the Agnes Memorial Sanatorium, Denver, Colorado. The association feels deeply indebted to Miss Erdmann for her faithful work in the interests of North Dakota nurses. At the afternoon session, reports of committees were read, also a memorial to Isabel McIsaac, by Annabel Foss. After adjournment the nurses were shown through the various buildings of the University, and after supper at the University Commons, an informal "Get acquainted" gathering was held in Davis Hall. The next morning's session was opened with a report from the auditors. An address on State Registration by Pearl Weed was followed by general discussion. A paper on Obstetrical Nursing was read by Elizabeth Bartle; Mabel Olson, official correspondent spoke of the JOURNAL. At the afternoon session M. Beatrice Johnstone, superintendent of

schools of Grand Forks County, gave an address on The Nurse as a Factor in the Community. The election of officers resulted as follows: president, Mabel Olson; vice-presidents, Louise Hoerman, Angela G. Boleyn; secretary-treasurer, Frances Riordan; corresponding secretary, Ethel Stanford; members of executive board, Hildor Strom, Minnie Traynor, Mary L. Hanson and Sondrine Norgaard. The next annual meeting will be held at Minot. In the evening a banquet at the Hotel Dacotah was attended by seventy-five nurses and guests. The membership of the association was increased by addition of forty new names, making a total of two hundred and thirty-two.

**Grand Forks.**—THE OFFICERS OF THE DIVISION OF MEDICINE, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA, have decided to change the course of education for nurses, from one year to two.

THE NORTH DAKOTA BILL FOR STATE REGISTRATION, was approved by the Governor, March 9, 1915, and reads as follows:

"An Act creating a board of nurse examiners, providing for the appointment of inspectors of training schools, and for the examination, registration and regulation of graduated nurses, and exempting practical nurses from registration, and prescribing the course of study and standard for training schools and prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof.

*"Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

SECTION 1. BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS; APPOINTMENT. That a board to be known as the board of nurse examiners of the State of North Dakota is hereby created and established. Said board shall be composed of five members, appointed by the Governor of the state as hereinafter provided.

Upon taking effect of this Act, the North Dakota State Nurses' Association at the annual meeting shall nominate and submit to the Governor a list of ten graduated nurses from which appointment shall be made. Each nurse whose name is thus submitted shall be at least twenty-five years of age, of good moral character and eligible to registration under the terms of this Act. There shall always be two of such members of the board selected from nurses who have had at least two years of experience in educational work among nurses, or who have had two or more years experience in the instruction of nurses in training schools.

SECTION 2. TERM OF OFFICE; VACANCIES. Each member of said board shall serve for a term of five years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, except in the case of the first board, whose members shall hold office, as follows: One member for a period of one year; one member for a period of two years; one member for a period of three years; one member for a period of four years; one member for a period of five years; the members and their respective terms to be designated by the Governor.

Vacancies in the said board shall be filled by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of this Act for the establishment of the original board, and persons appointed to fill vacancies shall be selected from a list of three registered nurses submitted by the North Dakota State Nurses' Association, and shall hold office during the unexpired portion of the term for which their predecessors were appointed.

SECTION 3. ORGANIZATION OF BOARD; OFFICERS. The members of said board shall, immediately after their appointment, meet for the purpose of organizing, and shall elect one of their number secretary, who shall also act as treasurer of said board. The secretary-treasurer shall give to the state treasurer a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in the penal sum of \$1,000.00 to be

approved by the Governor. The board shall adopt an official seal which shall remain in the custody of the secretary; the secretary shall keep the records and minutes of all meetings of the board, and shall record in a suitable book the names of all nurses and training schools registered under this Act.

SECTION 4. COMPENSATION; DISPOSITION OF FEES; INSPECTOR OF TRAINING SCHOOLS. Each member of said board shall receive \$5 per day while actually and necessarily engaged in the performance of the duties of the office, which together with all the legitimate expenses incurred in the performance of such duties shall be paid from fees received by the board under the provisions of this Act, and no part of the expenses of said board shall at any time be paid out of the state treasury. The secretary shall receive extra compensation, not to exceed \$100.00 per annum, payable quarterly. Any money in the hands of the treasurer at the end of any year, in excess of \$250.00 shall be paid over by the said board to the state treasurer to be kept by him for the future maintenance of the board, and to be disbursed by him upon warrants signed by the president and treasurer of said board.

The board shall elect one of their numbers to act as inspector of training schools for nurses.

SECTION 5. SCHEDULE OF SUBJECTS. Said board shall examine applicants for registration under this Act upon the following subjects: anatomy and physiology, general medical nursing, obstetrics, materia medica for nurses, general surgical nursing, dietetics, sanitation and hygiene, contagion and diseases of children, bacteriology, ethics.

SECTION 6. DUTIES OF INSPECTOR OF TRAINING SCHOOLS. COURSE OF STUDY IN TRAINING SCHOOLS. The member acting as inspector of training schools shall inspect all schools for nurses in North Dakota and shall report to the board such schools as shall provide courses of instruction both practical and theoretical in the subjects mentioned in Section 5 of this Act, except that in the subject of contagion the instruction may be theoretical only, and in addition such schools must have such daily average number of patients as may be determined by the board of nurse examiners.

SECTION 7. REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAINING SCHOOL FOR REGISTRATION. Any training school complying with the requirements herein mentioned shall be entitled to registration as an accredited school upon the payment of a fee of \$25.00 to the secretary of the board, provided that in the event that any such school shall subsequently become disqualified by failure to comply with the terms and conditions required upon registration, the board shall have the power to cancel their registration, and thereupon such school shall no longer be an accredited school under the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 8. MEETING OF BOARD OF EXAMINERS. Such board shall hold two regular examinations in each year, and such additional meetings at such times and places as it may determine. Notices of such examination shall be published in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the state, and in at least one nursing journal, at least thirty days previous to such meeting, such notice shall be mailed to each person who has made application for examination under the provisions of this Act at least twenty days prior to such examination. Applications for examination must be in the hands of the secretary at least ten days prior to the date set for examination.

SECTION 9. QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS. Any person desiring to practice professional nursing in this state shall make application to said board as

provided in Section 8 of this Act, and shall pay to the secretary at the time of making application for registration the sum of \$10.00 as an examination fee, and shall present himself or herself at the next regular meeting of said board for the examination of applicants, and said board shall proceed to examine said applicant, and upon said board being satisfied that: (1) Said applicant is of the age of twenty-one years or over; (2) of good moral character; (3) has received the education required for admission into the high schools of the state and (4) has graduated from a training school connected with a general hospital, where three years of training in a systematic course of instruction is given in the hospital, or has graduated from a training school in a hospital of good standing, supplying the systematic three years' training corresponding to the above standards, which training may be received in two or more hospitals; and providing that the results of the examination show a general average of seventy-five per cent or more and not below sixty per cent in any subject, said board shall enter the applicant's name in the register, hereinafter provided for, and shall issue to said person a certificate of registration authorizing said person to practice as a registered nurse.

**SECTION 10. WAIVER. WHO MAY BE REGISTERED WITHOUT EXAMINATION.** All persons graduating prior to January 1, 1917, possessing the above qualifications shall be permitted to register without examination upon the payment of registration fee. Nurses who shall show to the satisfaction of the board of examiners that they are graduates, prior to the year 1916, of a training school connected with a general hospital or sanitorium, giving two years' training; or prior to the year 1899, giving one year's training; and are engaged in the profession of nursing in the State of North Dakota at the date of the passage of this Act, or have been engaged in nursing five years after graduation prior to the passage of this Act, shall be entitled to registration without examination, provided such application be made before January 1, 1917.

**SECTION 11. RECIPROCITY. APPLICANTS REGISTERED IN OTHER STATES.** The board of examiners may issue licenses without examination upon the payment of ten dollars registration fee to applicants who have been registered in other states in which the registration of this state is recognized and having equal registration requirements.

**SECTION 12.** On and after January 1, 1917, all applicants for certificates of registration under the provisions of this Act, shall pass the examination required by the board, before receiving a certificate of registration.

**SECTION 13.** It shall be unlawful hereafter for any person to practice professional nursing as a registered nurse without certificate as herein provided for.

**SECTION 14. CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION RECORDED; FEE.** Every person to whom a certificate of registration shall have been issued shall within thirty days thereafter, cause the same to be recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which such person resides, and shall pay to such register of deeds the required fee for recording the same, and said fee shall be turned into the general fund of the county.

**SECTION 15. PRACTICAL NURSES EXEMPTED.** This Act shall not be construed to apply to gratuitous nursing of the sick by friends or members of the family, nor to any practical nurse or person nursing the sick for hire who does not pretend to be a registered nurse.

**SECTION 16. NAMES TO BE ENTERED ON REGISTER.** The board shall keep a register in which shall be entered the names of all persons to whom certificates are issued under this Act, and said register shall be at all times open to public inspection.



SECTION 17. REGISTERED NURSE. A person who has received his or her certificate according to the provisions of this Act shall be styled and known as a "Registered Nurse." No other person shall assume such title or use the abbreviation R.N. or any other letters or figures to indicate that he or she is a registered nurse.

SECTION 18. BOARD MAY REVOKE CERTIFICATE FOR CAUSE. The board shall have the power to revoke any certificate issued by said board in accordance with the provisions of this Act for the following causes: gross incompetency, dishonesty, or any act derogatory to the morals or standing of the profession of nursing as may be determined by the board; provided that such revocation shall only be made upon specific charges in writing, under oath, filed with the secretary and by a majority of the whole board, a certified copy of such charges and thirty days' notice of the hearing of the same having been personally served upon the holder of such certificate. Said board shall be authorized to furnish a list of the names and addresses of those whose certificates have been revoked to the board of examiners of other states upon the written request of such board.

SECTION 19. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act, or who shall wilfully make a false representation to the board of examiners in applying for a certificate shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 and not less than \$10.

## OHIO

THE OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE NURSES held a special meeting in Columbus on March 15, at the request of fifteen members, for the purpose of giving the members an opportunity to discuss the bill for registration then pending in the legislature. Minutes were read of the various meetings of the executive committee. The legislative committee gave a full report of its meetings and work up to date. After a general discussion, the association instructed the legislative committee to continue its efforts in behalf of the bill. The bill passed both houses and was signed by the Governor on May 3. The members feel that while it is not just what they had hoped for, it is the best bill procurable under the existing constitution. A special meeting of the State Association was called to be held in Columbus May 24 for the purpose of nominating members to serve on the Examining Board, which consists of the secretary of the State Medical Board, an entrance examiner and three nurses, said committee to be employed by the State Medical Board.

THE BILL FOR THE REGISTRATION OF NURSES, signed by the Governor, May 3, reads as follows:

A Bill to regulate the practice of nursing in the State of Ohio.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:*

SECTION 1. Within sixty days after this act becomes operative the state medical board shall employ a secretary entrance examiner and three nurses; said three nurses with the secretary of the state medical board shall constitute the nurses' examining committee, this committee to be chosen from ten nominations made by the Ohio Association of Graduate Nurses. The secretary of the state medical board shall be the secretary and executive officer of the committee. One nurse shall be employed for one year, one for two years, and one for three years and thereafter as the term of any nurse expires a successor shall be employed in the manner hereinbefore specified for a term of three years. One of

the nurses so employed shall be designated as chief examiner. The secretary shall have the power to administer oaths. Each person so employed shall file with the secretary an affidavit that she is a resident of Ohio, a graduate of a recognized training school for nurses and in addition thereto, she shall have had not less than five years' experience in nursing.

SECTION 2. Each member of the nurses' examining committee except the secretary shall receive five dollars for each day employed in the discharge of her official duties and her necessary expenses so incurred, except the secretary entrance examiner and chief examiner who shall receive an annual salary, to be fixed by the state medical board, and their necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

SECTION 3. The nurses' examining committee shall meet in Columbus on the second Tuesday of January and July of each year, and at such other times and places as the state medical board may direct.

SECTION 4. The secretary of the nurses' examining committee shall keep a record of its proceedings. The secretary shall also keep a register of applicants for certificates, showing the name of the applicant; the name and location of the institution granting her a certificate or diploma of graduation in nursing, and whether she was granted or refused a certificate. The books and records of the committee shall be prima facie evidence of matters therein contained.

SECTION 5. On and after January 1, 1916, no person shall practice nursing as a registered nurse in this state without first complying with the requirements of this act. All graduates in nursing shall either personally or by letter or proxy, present their diplomas to the nurses' examining committee for verification. Accompanying such diploma the applicant shall file an affidavit, duly attested, stating that the applicant is the person named in the diploma and is the lawful possessor of the same. The applicant shall state date of birth and the actual time spent in the study of nursing. If the committee shall find the diploma to be genuine and from a nurses' training school in good standing, connected with a hospital or sanatorium in good standing, as defined by the state medical board, and the person named therein to be the person holding and presenting the same, and that said person has paid the fee as hereinafter provided for the examination of applicants, the committee shall issue a certificate to that effect signed by its secretary and chief examiner; such certificate, when left with the probate judge for record as hereinafter required, shall be conclusive evidence that its owner is entitled to practice nursing as a registered nurse in this state. All other persons desiring to engage in such practice in this state, shall apply to the nurses' examining committee for a certificate, and submit to the examination hereinafter provided, except that all students who were on May 1, 1915, matriculated in a training school for nurses located in the state of Ohio, recognized by the state medical board of Ohio, and who shall have graduated subsequent to May 1, 1915, and who shall file their diploma for registration prior to June 1, 1918, shall receive certificates as heretofore provided. The applicant shall file with the secretary a written application, under oath, on a form prescribed by the state medical board, and provide proof that said applicant is more than twenty-one years of age and of good moral character. The applicant shall file documentary evidence that before matriculating in a training school for nurses, said applicant received an education equivalent to that required for completion of the first year of a high school course of the first grade, in this state, or four units of high school work as defined in the school laws of Ohio, and evaluated by the

entrance examiner of the state medical board in the same manner as provided in section 1270 of the General Code of Ohio, and a diploma of graduation from a training school in good standing, connected with a hospital or sanatorium in good standing, as defined by the state medical board, at the time the diploma was issued. At the time of application the applicant shall present with diploma with the affidavit that said applicant is the person named therein and is the lawful possessor thereof, stating date of birth, residence, the training school or schools at which said applicant obtained education and training in nursing, the time spent in each, the time spent in the study and training of nursing, and such other facts as the state medical board requires. If engaged in the practice of nursing, the affidavit shall state the period during which and the place where said nurse has been so engaged.

SECTION 6. If the committee finds the applicant possesses the credentials necessary for admission to the examination, that the diploma is genuine and was granted by a training school for nurses in good standing connected with a hospital or sanatorium in good standing as defined by the state medical board, that the person named in the diploma is the person holding and presenting it and is of good moral character, the committee shall admit the applicant to an examination.

SECTION 7. The examination of applicants for certificates to practice nursing shall be conducted under rules prescribed by the state medical board. Each applicant shall be examined in anatomy, physiology, obstetrics, bacteriology, hygiene, materia medica, dietetics, practical nursing, and such other subjects as the board and committee may require.

SECTION 8. If the applicant pass such examination and has paid the fee required by law, the committee shall issue its certificate to this effect, signed by its secretary and the chief examiner. Such certificate when deposited for record with the probate judge as required by law, shall be conclusive evidence that the person to whom it is issued is entitled to practice as a registered nurse in this state. An affirmative vote of not less than three members of the committee is required for the issuance of a certificate.

SECTION 9. The nurses' examining committee may refuse to grant a certificate to a person guilty of fraud in passing the examination, or at any time guilty of felony or gross immorality, or addicted to the liquor or drug habit to such a degree as to render said person unfit to practice nursing as a registered nurse. Upon notice and hearing the committee, by a vote of not less than three members, may revoke or suspend a certificate for like cause or causes. Such certificate may also be revoked or suspended on proof of violation of the rules and requirements established by the state medical board regulating the practice of nursing.

SECTION 10. An appeal may be taken from the action of the nurses' examining committee refusing to grant, revoking or suspending a certificate, for the causes named in the preceding section, to the state medical board, whose decision affirming or overruling the action of the committee shall be final.

SECTION 11. Each applicant for a certificate to practice nursing as a registered nurse in this state shall pay a fee of not to exceed ten dollars for examination. The fees for examination shall be paid in advance to the treasurer of the state medical board and by him paid into the state treasury to the credit of a fund for the use of the said board in the enforcement of this act.

SECTION 12. Each person who receives a certificate to practice nursing as a

registered nurse, before beginning to practice must deposit said certificate for record with the probate judge of the county in which said person resides. The probate judge shall record in a book kept for that purpose and indorse on the margin of the record and on the certificate the time when he received it for record and make an index to all certificates thus received and recorded. The probate judge shall also note the revocation or suspension of a certificate. The holder of a certificate must keep said certificate on record with the probate judge of the county in which actual residence is established.

SECTION 13. For services under the provisions of this chapter, the probate judge shall receive from the holder of the certificate a fee of fifty cents.

SECTION 14. During the month of December in each year, the probate judge shall furnish the secretary of the nurses' examining committee a list of certificates recorded and in force, and certificates revoked or suspended.

SECTION 15. The state medical board may dispense with the examination of a nurse duly authorized to practice nursing as a registered nurse in another state, or the District of Columbia, who wishes to remove from such state or district and reside and practice as a registered nurse in this state, upon said nurse complying with the rules and requirements established by the state medical board regulating such matters, and upon the payment of a fee of not more than ten dollars; provided the laws of such state or district require of the nurses practicing therein qualifications of a grade equal to those required of nurses practicing in the state of Ohio, and equal rights are accorded by such state or district to nurses in Ohio holding a certificate of the state medical board who desire to remove to, reside and practice as a registered nurse in such state or district.

SECTION 16. All persons shall be regarded as practicing nursing as registered nurses within the meaning of this act who use the words or letters "R.N.," "Registered Nurse," or any other title in connection with their names which in any way represent them as registered nurses, or who by any means accept employment by representing themselves as registered nurses.

SECTION 17. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed in any way to prevent or prohibit the performance of services either with or without compensation in nursing the sick or injured by any person, provided such services are not performed by such person as a registered nurse.

SECTION 18. The compensation and expenses of the members and officers of the nurses' examining committee, and the necessary expenses of the committee shall be paid from a fund in the state treasury for the use of the board in the enforcement of this act, upon a warrant of the auditor of state, issued upon vouchers signed by the president and secretary of the state medical board.

SECTION 19. The secretary of the nurses' examining committee shall enforce the provisions of the law relating to the practice of nursing in this state. If he has knowledge or notice of the violation of such law, he shall investigate the matter and upon probable cause appearing shall file a complaint and prosecute the offender. When requested by the secretary, the prosecuting attorney of the proper county shall take charge of and conduct such prosecution.

SECTION 20. Whoever practices nursing as a registered nurse, without first obtaining a certificate from the nurses' examining committee of the state medical board, in the manner required herein or so practices nursing as a registered nurse after such a certificate has been duly revoked or, if suspended, during the time of such suspension, shall be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars. A certificate duly certified by the secretary of the nurses' examining committee to

the effect that it appears from the records of the nurses' examining committee that no certificate to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Ohio has been issued to any person or persons specified therein or that a certificate, if issued, has been revoked or suspended, shall be received as *prima facie* evidence of the record in any court or before any officer of the state.

SECTION 21. All fines collected under the preceding section shall be paid to the state medical board, and by it paid into the state treasury to the credit of the fund herein provided.

SECTION 22. Nothing in this act shall, in any way, be construed to be in conflict with the laws of this state relating to the practice of medicine and surgery.

THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF DAYTON AND VICINITY, met in regular session at the Nurses Home, April 20. Dr. E. A. Baber, superintendent of the Dayton State Hospital gave an address on Nursing Care of the Insane. Over twelve thousand insane persons are confined in the different institutions in the state. Dr. Baber is trying to establish a training school for nurses in which general nursing care of the insane will be taught. Great advancement has been made by requiring civil service examinations of those desiring to become attendants. Dr. Baber advised all nurses interested in this line of work to study psychology. The experiment of placing women nurses in charge of male patients has been tried in one of the worst wards, and has brought wonderfully good results, in ward behaviour. Ohio superintendents of hospitals for the insane have petitioned the legislature to create the position of Social Worker, the duties of whom would be to organize mental hygiene districts, for the study and promotion of mental health, especially among those predisposed by heredity to the disease. Two new names were submitted for membership.

**Dayton.**—THE MIAMI VALLEY HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its regular monthly meeting April 13, the president Mrs. Florence Brower in the chair. Plans were made for the annual banquet and reunion to be held in May. The graduating exercises of the class of 1915 were held May 20. Sixteen nurses graduated.

**Cleveland.**—THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE LAKESIDE HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES, were held in the hospital, on the afternoon of May 20, and were followed by a reception in the nurses' home. Twenty-seven nurses graduated.

#### RHODE ISLAND

THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF TRAINED NURSES held its semi-annual examination at the State House Providence, May 6 and 7. Thirty-two nurses presented themselves for examination.

THE RHODE ISLAND LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION held a meeting at the Lying-in Hospital, Providence, on April 29, Inez C. Lord, the president, in the chair. Mary M. Riddle, superintendent of Newton Hospital, Newton Lower Falls, Mass., addressed the League, speaking of the advantages of state registration. A lively discussion followed, showing great interest in the subject as presented. Tea was served by the superintendent of the training school, Alida Young. There was a good attendance.

**Providence.**—THE RHODE ISLAND HOSPITAL NURSES' CLUB met at the George Ide Chace Home for Nurses on May 4. Resolutions were read on the death of Mary Hunt, a pupil nurse who died at the City Hospital, recently of scarlet fever. Colonel G. Edward Buxton, Jr., of the *Providence Journal* staff gave a

highly interesting account of his experience as war correspondent during the first five months of the present war. A vote of thanks was given Colonel Buxton. Tea and a social hour were enjoyed in the parlors after the Club adjourned.

THE PROVIDENCE BRANCH GUILD OF ST. BARNABAS FOR NURSES met at St. Stephen's Church, May 6. The Reverend Rupert Noel gave an address, taking as his text, "Thine eyes shall see the King in His beauty." After a brief business meeting Eva Magoon, assistant to the curator of Roger Williams Park Museum, spoke on Some Interesting Trees. Such interest was shown that Miss Magoon invited the guild to a field day at Roger Williams Park, for Bird Study and it is planned to hold such a meeting as soon as it can be arranged.

RHODE ISLAND HOSPITAL held graduating exercises for a class of forty-two on the evening of May 12. Mary E. Wooley, president of Mount Holyoke College, addressed the class, and Jesse H. Metcalf, the new president of the corporation, presented the diplomas.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL NURSES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION met at the Nurses' Home on April 30 and listened to a lecture by the Reverend Father Murray.

THE RHODE ISLAND HOSPITAL NURSES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION met at the George Ide Chace Home for Nurses on April 20, Mrs. Westcott the president in the chair. Winifred L. Fitzpatrick was appointed delegate to the convention of the American Nurses Association at San Francisco. Arrangements were made for the annual reception to the graduating class, to take the form of dancing and cards to be held in Churchill House, on May 14. Word has been received that Jenna McNulty, class of 1906, Isabel K. Cumming, class of 1908, and Olive L. Niles, class of 1901, of the Rhode Island Hospital, are in the British Army Nursing Corps.

#### TEXAS

THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS will hold its ninth annual meeting in San Antonio, June 15-17.

#### UTAH

**Salt Lake.**—THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held a meeting April 5 at the rooms of the Young Women's Christian Association, at which Dr. Middleton gave an interesting talk on the Ethics of Nursing. At the business meeting which followed, Miss Shellenberger, president of the association, was unanimously elected delegate to the convention of the American Nurses Association in San Francisco. Plans for entertaining nurses from the east, on their way to San Francisco were discussed. There was a good attendance.

THE NURSES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL held its annual meeting, at the nurses home, April 2, and elected the following officers: president, Carrie Roberts; vice-presidents, Mary Jacobson, Anna Hall; secretary, Lillian Green; treasurer, Myrta Travers. Frae Korous was unanimously elected the delegate to the convention in San Francisco.

THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES OF ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL were held in St. Mark's Cathedral April 26. There were ten nurses graduated. After the exercises, a reception was held at the Odeon.

#### VERMONT

THE VERMONT STATE LEAGUE FOR NURSING EDUCATION held its annual meeting at Proctor Hospital, Proctor, May 11. Officers were elected as follows:

president, Mary E. Schumacher, Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, Brattleboro; vice-president, Clara J. Churchill, Mary Fletcher Hospital, Burlington; secretary-treasurer, Caroline Swift, Barre Hospital, Barre. Following the meeting, luncheon was served by Catherine Allison, superintendent of Proctor Hospital, Mrs. Fletcher Proctor and Mrs. Davis presiding. The party of nurses then motored to Rutland for the state meeting.

THE VERMONT STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its first annual meeting at the new hospital in Rutland on the afternoon of May 11. There was a large gathering and a lively interest was shown in the business transacted. Papers were read on The Miracles of Modern Surgery, Miss Churchill; Public Health Nursing, Cora Curtiss; Twilight Sleep, Mrs. Rose Lawler. It was decided to give \$25 to the Red Cross relief fund. The association was organized a year ago with a membership of 78; this has been increased to over 100 during the year. The following officers were elected: president, Mary E. Schumacher; vice-presidents, Mrs. F. R. Patch, Cora Curtiss; secretary-treasurer, Hattie E. Douglass, Mary Fletcher Hospital, Burlington; assistant secretary, Anna Aitken, Rutland; directors, Clara J. Churchill, Brandon, Catherine Allison, Proctor, Mary E. Schumacher, Brattleboro, Mrs. Marion Green, Proctor.

**Burlington.**—THE MARY FLETCHER HOSPITAL held graduating exercises for a class of eight nurses at the Medical College on the evening of June 4. A reception followed at the Nurses' Home.

#### WEST VIRGINIA

**Clarksburg.**—THE GRADUATE NURSES held a meeting at St. Mary's Hospital, April 5, and organized a County Association. A constitution and by-laws, previously written up by a committee of three, Loula Kennedy, Red Cross Visiting Nurse, Charlotte Harr, St. Mary's Hospital, and Mary White, superintendent of Kessler Hospital, were read and approved. There were eighteen nurses present, which speaks well for the future of the Association, as this was a very busy season and nearly all the nurses were on duty. After the election of officers the meeting adjourned. Refreshments were served by the alumnae of St. Mary's Training School.

THE ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION held its regular meeting on April 9. The attendance was good and after the transaction of routine business refreshments were served by the pupil nurses of the school. Nellie Manning and Mary B. Gorman who were to sail for Belgium, April 17, with other Red Cross nurses, were presented with pocket flash-lights by the alumnae. Emma Butler is located at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

#### BIRTHS

On February 17, at Topeka, Kansas, a son, Allan Metcalf, to Mr. and Mrs. George Duncan. Mrs. Duncan was Margaret Metcalf, class of 1907, St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

On March 31, at Oskaloosa, Iowa, a son, William Gray, to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gilchrist. Mrs. Gilchrist was Grace Boggess, class of 1913, St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

On April 1, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Kuhns. Mrs. Kuhns was Nora Stephens.

On April 1, a daughter, to Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Williams. Mrs. Williams was Mary Gale.

On May 1, at Los Angeles, a daughter, Barbara Eleanor, to Mr. and Mrs. George Corby. Mrs. Corby was Edna May Smith, class of 1910, Rochester General Hospital, Rochester, New York.

On April 1, at Clarinda, Iowa, a son, Harlan Powers, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harlan Walker. Mrs. Walker was Grace B. Nelson, class of 1911, Wise Memorial Hospital, Omaha.

On March 3, at Saginaw, Michigan, a son, to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Schneider. Mrs. Schneider was Miss Flanigan, class of 1910, St. Mary's Hospital.

On March 5, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. William Emery. Mrs. Emery was Bessie Ritchey, graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital, Chatham, Ontario, Canada.

### MARRIAGES

On April 15, at Chicago, Illinois, Elizabeth A. Stillhamer to W. Langdon Sanders. Rev. and Mrs. Sanders will live in Bloomington, which has been the home city of both for a number of years. Mrs. Sanders is a permanent member of the American Nurses' Association and is known to many of its members.

On April 14, at Chicago, Illinois, Inez Rankin File, class of 1912, Illinois Training School, to John Haslett.

On April 10, at Chicago, Illinois, Emily Ethridge, class of 1904, Illinois Training School, to William A. Brewer.

Recently, Alice Ware Pilcher, class of 1911, Illinois Training School, Chicago, to Fred. W. Rice. Mr. and Mrs. Rice will live in Houston, Texas.

On May 3, in St. Joseph, Missouri, Anna J. Crotty, class of 1911, St. Joseph's Hospital, to Anthony Ege. Mr. and Mrs. Ege will live in Vernon, Nebraska.

On April 30, at Cynwyd, Pennsylvania, Edna Wallis, class of 1911, Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, to Philip Fulton Randolph. Mr. and Mrs. Randolph will live in Cynwyd.

Recently, Miss Koehler, class of 1909, Hope Training School, Fort Wayne, Indiana, to Joseph Clair Scott, of Livingston, Montana.

On February 16, at Holy Rosary Church, Detroit, Michigan, Ethel E. Byrne, class of 1911, St. Mary's Hospital, Detroit, to Harold Payette.

On April 14, Vera Carter, class of 1908, St. Mary's Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, to N. J. Malloy, M.D. Dr. and Mrs. Malloy will live in Northville, Michigan.

On April 14, Louisa Pilon, class of 1912, Providence Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, to Frederick William Phillips, M.D. Dr. and Mrs. Phillips will live in Battle Creek, Michigan.

On April 21, Mrs. Jane M. Holmes, class of 1910, Farrand Training School, Harper Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, to Huston Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor will live in Detroit.

On April 15, Jennie A. Leece to Walter G. Lambert, M.D. Mrs. Lambert has been in charge of the Emergency Hospital at Wyandotte, Michigan, for two years, and served for two years on the Board of Examiners, when it was first established. Dr. and Mrs. Lambert will live in Wyandotte.

On May 8, Charlotte Malin, class of 1912, St. Mary's Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, to Walter Vincent McKee.

Recently, Eva L. Berthiaume, class of 1910, Rhode Island Hospital, to Herbert E. Slayton. Mr. and Mrs. Slayton are living in Detroit, Michigan.

Recently, at the rectory of St. Edward's Church, Providence, Rhode Island, Mary A. McNiff, class of 1914, Rhode Island Hospital, to William P. Hanley. Mr. and Mrs. Hanley will live in Providence.



## DEATHS

On April 26, at the Plant Park Infirmary, Tampa, Florida, Annie Powell Wilson, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, Virginia. Miss Wilson was ill but a short time. At the time of her death she was employed as office nurse, but had previously been head nurse at Bluefield Sanitarium, Bluefield, Virginia.

On May 1, at the home of her sister in Goliad, Texas, Ethel Brewer, class of 1911, Physicians and Surgeons Hospital, San Antonio. Miss Brewer, who was not yet thirty years of age, had been hopelessly ill for some time, but had borne her illness with great courage.

On April 24, at the Faulkner Hospital, of double pneumonia, Margaret Coyne, graduate of Carney Hospital, Boston. The funeral services were held at her home in Worcester. Miss Coyne was secretary of her alumnae at the time of her death.

On April 15, at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Sarah M. Peasley. Miss Peasley was a Medford nurse. She was struck by an automobile on April 14 and died the following day as the result of her injuries.

On April 17, at Bernardsville, New Jersey, Augusta G. Reed, class of 1894, Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Brooklyn. Miss Reed had been visiting nurse and school nurse in Bernardsville for eight years and met her death while taking a boy to the oculist, in her automobile, which turned over on a hill. Miss Reed's neck was broken and death was instantaneous. She had no known relatives, but the esteem in which she was held was shown by the people among whom she had worked, and by the attendance at her funeral. A double line of school children, standing with uncovered heads, reached from her home to the church, as her body was borne from one place to the other by prominent men of the township, while others acted as honorary pall bearers. Schools were closed and flags were at half mast. The members of the Board of Education and all the doctors in the community walked in the procession which accompanied the body to the station, while all the ministers of the town attended the final service at Evergreen Cemetery, Brooklyn. Miss Reed's work in the community had been a force for good, her enthusiasm was inexhaustible, she worked hard for long hours and made and kept hosts of friends. She was deeply religious, having prepared herself for missionary work, and she saw everything in life from the standpoint of her faith, though in a simple and natural manner.

Miss Reed was a Spanish-American war nurse, having served at Chickamauga Park and in the Philippines. She was an active member of the New Jersey State Nurses' Association and will be greatly missed by her associates. As chairman of the membership committee for two years, more members were enrolled than during any similar period. Ten members of the association attended the funeral services.